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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 61

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 21 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE (Three-fifths of all members elected to each house thereof concurring therein):

1 Section 1. Amend Title 21 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and insertions
2 as shown by underline as follows:

3 § 2140H. Special license plates for Combat Veterans.

4 (a)(1) The owner of any vehicle described in subsection (a) (2) of this section may apply to the Department for
5 assignment to that vehicle of a special combat veteran registration number; provided, however, that the owner of the vehicle
6 must possess and present official documentation which indicates that the owner is a combat veteran.

7 (2) This section applies only to the following:

8 a. A private passenger vehicle; or

9 b. A truck with a 3/4-ton or less manufacturer's rated capacity.

10 (b) No fee in addition to the annual registration fee otherwise required by this title is required for registration
11 under this section; provided, however, that an original application under this section shall be subject to a \$10 administrative
12 fee which shall be deposited into a special fund and used by the Division of Motor Vehicles for the purpose of promoting
13 the sale of the plate and administering this section and to fund Department projects notwithstanding the provisions of
14 Chapters 13 and 14 of Title 2 to the contrary.

15 (c) Only 1 such plate shall be issued to an applicant.

16 (d) The Department shall reserve sufficient special license plates including the phrase "COMBAT VETERAN"
17 and numbered consecutively beginning with the numeral "1" as are necessary to implement this section.

18 (e) Upon receipt by the Department of information that the individual to whom the special plate has been issued
19 has died, the Department shall write to the representative of that person's estate. Upon receipt by the Department of
20 information that the individual to whom the special plate has been issued has died, the surviving spouse may transfer the
21 plate to a vehicle owned by the spouse that meets the requirements of paragraph (a)(2) of this section as a valid registration
22 plate. No fee in addition to the annual registration fee otherwise required by this title is required for registration. If no

- 23 spouse exists, the Department shall write to the representative of that person's estate, requesting that such plate be returned
24 to the Department within 90 days.

SYNOPSIS

This bill creates a special license plate for Combat Veterans.