

HOUSE BILL No. 4955

May 19, 2009, Introduced by Reps. Horn, Crawford, Haines, Polidori, Stamas, Kowall, Moss, Knollenberg and Dean and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 803e, 803i, 803j, 803k, and 803l (MCL 257.803e, 257.803i, 257.803j, 257.803k, and 257.803l), section 803e as amended by 2003 PA 30, section 803i as amended by 1998 PA 68, sections 803j and 803k as amended by 1999 PA 183, and section 803l as amended by 2000 PA 77.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 803e. (1) A person who has been a prisoner of war or a
2 person whose spouse has been a prisoner of war may make application
3 to the secretary of state for a special registration plate ~~which~~
4 **THAT** shall be inscribed with special identification numbers
5 preceded by the letters "EX-POW" and shall have the words "ex-
6 prisoner of war" inscribed beneath the registration number.

7 (2) A person who was a member of the armed services during

1 World War I may make application to the secretary of state for a
2 special registration plate ~~, which~~ **THAT** shall be inscribed with
3 special identification numbers preceded by the letters "WWI" and
4 shall have the words "World War I veteran" inscribed beneath the
5 registration number.

6 (3) A person who was a member of the armed services during
7 1941, stationed at a United States military or naval establishment
8 at Pearl Harbor in the Hawaiian islands, and who survived the
9 attack by Japan on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 may make
10 application to the secretary of state for a special registration
11 plate ~~, which~~ **THAT** shall be inscribed with special identification
12 numbers and shall have the words "Pearl Harbor survivor" inscribed
13 beneath the registration number.

14 (4) A person who is a recipient of the purple heart medal may
15 make application to the secretary of state for a special
16 registration plate ~~which~~ **THAT** shall be inscribed with special
17 identification numbers and shall have the words "combat wounded
18 veteran" inscribed beneath the registration number. In addition,
19 the special registration plate described under this subsection
20 shall be inscribed with a vignette of the official purple heart
21 medal.

22 (5) Application for a special registration plate shall be on a
23 form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be accompanied
24 by any proof of the applicant having been a prisoner of war, World
25 War I veteran, Pearl Harbor survivor, or recipient of the purple
26 heart medal that the secretary of state may require. ~~The~~
27 ~~application for a special registration plate shall also be~~

1 ~~accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service fee.~~ **THE SECRETARY OF**
2 **STATE SHALL NOT CHARGE A SERVICE FEE FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION**
3 **PLATE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION.**

4 (6) Upon proper application, ~~and payment of the \$5.00 service~~
5 ~~fee,~~ the secretary of state shall issue 1 or more special
6 registration plates for each applicant for use on a passenger
7 vehicle. A person who is disabled who makes application for a
8 special registration plate under this section ~~and who makes payment~~
9 ~~of the \$5.00 service fee~~ shall be issued a tab for persons with
10 disabilities as provided in section 803f for his or her special
11 registration plate. The secretary of state shall require the same
12 proof that the applicant is a disabled person as is required for
13 issuance of a permanent windshield placard under section 675. One
14 person in any household is entitled to 1 special registration plate
15 issued under subsection (1) that is exempt from payment of the tax
16 provided in section 801. The person who is issued an additional
17 special registration plate under subsection (1) shall be assessed
18 the applicable tax provided for in section 801. A person issued 1
19 or more special registration plates under subsection (2), (3), or
20 (4) shall be assessed the applicable tax provided in section 801.

21 (7) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle other
22 than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a person who
23 does not qualify under this section, is a misdemeanor.

24 (8) The special registration plate issued under this section
25 expires on the birthday of the vehicle owner in a year in which new
26 plates are issued by the secretary of state. ~~Application for~~
27 ~~renewal of the special registration plate shall be accompanied by a~~

1 ~~\$5.00 service fee.~~ **THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOT CHARGE A**
2 **SERVICE FEE FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE RENEWED UNDER THIS**
3 **SUBSECTION.** The applicant is not required to furnish the proof
4 provided in subsection (5).

5 Sec. 803i. (1) A person who was or is a member of the national
6 guard may apply to the secretary of state for a special
7 registration plate ~~, which~~ **THAT** shall display an appropriate
8 vignette preceding the registration numbers and shall have the
9 words "national guard" inscribed beneath the registration numbers.

10 (2) A person who was or is a member of the military reserve
11 may apply to the secretary of state for a special registration
12 plate ~~, which~~ **THAT** shall display an appropriate vignette preceding
13 the registration numbers.

14 (3) A person who was a member of any branch of the armed
15 services of the United States, who has retired or been granted an
16 honorable discharge from that branch of the armed forces, and who
17 is not otherwise eligible for a special registration plate under
18 this act may apply to the secretary of state for a special
19 registration plate ~~which~~ **THAT** shall display an appropriate vignette
20 preceding the registration numbers.

21 (4) Application for a special registration plate shall be on a
22 form prescribed by the secretary of state and shall be accompanied
23 by any proof of the applicant being or having been a member of the
24 national guard or military reserve or a member of any branch of the
25 armed services of the United States as described in subsection (3)
26 that the secretary of state may require. ~~The application for a~~
27 ~~special registration plate shall also be accompanied with payment~~

1 ~~of a \$5.00 service fee.~~ **THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOT CHARGE A**
2 **SERVICE FEE FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE ISSUED UNDER THIS**
3 **SECTION.**

4 (5) Upon proper application, ~~and payment of the \$5.00 service~~
5 ~~fee,~~ the secretary of state shall issue 1 or more special
6 registration plates for each applicant for use on a passenger
7 vehicle. A person who is disabled who applies for a special
8 registration plate under this section ~~and who pays the \$5.00~~
9 ~~service fee~~ shall be issued a tab for persons with disabilities as
10 provided in section 803f for his or her special registration plate.
11 The secretary of state shall require the same proof that the
12 applicant is a disabled person as is required for issuance of a
13 permanent windshield placard under section 675. A person issued 1
14 or more special registration plates under subsection (1), (2), or
15 (3) shall be assessed the applicable tax provided in section 801.

16 (6) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle other
17 than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a person who
18 does not qualify under this section, is a misdemeanor.

19 (7) The special registration plate issued under this section
20 ~~shall expire~~ **EXPIRES** on the birthday of the vehicle owner. ~~When new~~
21 ~~plates are issued by the secretary of state, application for~~
22 ~~renewal of the special registration plate shall be accompanied by a~~
23 ~~\$5.00 service fee.~~ **THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOT CHARGE A**
24 **SERVICE FEE FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE RENEWED UNDER THIS**
25 **SUBSECTION.** The applicant shall not be required to furnish the
26 proof provided in subsection (4) **WITH AN APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF**
27 **THE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE.**

1 Sec. 803j. (1) A person who was a member of the armed services
2 or a person whose spouse was a member of the armed forces during
3 the Korean War may make application to the secretary of state for a
4 special registration plate ~~which~~ **THAT** shall display an
5 appropriate vignette preceding the registration numbers and shall
6 have the word "veteran" inscribed beneath the registration numbers.

7 (2) Application for a special registration plate shall be on a
8 form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be accompanied
9 by any proof of the applicant or the applicant's spouse having been
10 a Korean War veteran that the secretary of state may require. ~~The~~
11 ~~application for a special registration plate shall also be~~
12 ~~accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service fee.~~ **THE SECRETARY OF**
13 **STATE SHALL NOT CHARGE A SERVICE FEE FOR A SPECIAL PLATE ISSUED**
14 **UNDER THIS SECTION.**

15 (3) Upon proper application, ~~and payment of the \$5.00 service~~
16 ~~fee,~~ the secretary of state shall issue 1 or more special
17 registration plates for each applicant for use on a passenger
18 vehicle. A person who is disabled who makes application for a
19 special registration plate under this section ~~and who makes payment~~
20 ~~of the \$5.00 service fee~~ shall be issued a tab for persons with
21 disabilities as provided in section 803f for his or her special
22 registration plate. The secretary of state shall require the same
23 proof that the applicant is a disabled person as is required for
24 issuance of a permanent windshield placard under section 675. A
25 person issued 1 or more special registration plates under
26 subsection (1) shall be assessed the applicable tax provided in
27 section 801.

1 (4) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle other
2 than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a person who
3 does not qualify under this section, is a misdemeanor.

4 (5) The special registration plate issued under this section
5 ~~shall expire~~ **EXPIRES** on the birthday of the vehicle owner. ~~When new~~
6 ~~plates are issued by the secretary of state, application for~~
7 ~~renewal of the special registration plate shall be accompanied by a~~
8 ~~\$5.00 service fee.~~ **THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOT CHARGE A**
9 **SERVICE FEE FOR A SPECIAL PLATE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION.** The
10 applicant shall not be required to furnish the proof provided in
11 subsection (2).

12 Sec. 803k. (1) A person who was a member of the armed services
13 during the Vietnam War or a person whose spouse was a member of the
14 armed services during the Vietnam War may make application to the
15 secretary of state for a special registration plate, ~~which~~ **THAT**
16 shall display an appropriate vignette preceding the registration
17 numbers and shall have the word "veteran" inscribed beneath the
18 registration numbers.

19 (2) Application for a special registration plate shall be on a
20 form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be accompanied
21 by any proof of the applicant or applicant's spouse having been a
22 Vietnam War veteran that the secretary of state may require. ~~The~~
23 ~~application for a special registration plate shall also be~~
24 ~~accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service fee.~~ **THE SECRETARY OF**
25 **STATE SHALL NOT CHARGE A SERVICE FEE FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION**
26 **PLATE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION.**

27 (3) Upon proper application, ~~and payment of the \$5.00 service~~

1 ~~fee,~~ the secretary of state shall issue 1 or more special
2 registration plates for each applicant for use on a passenger
3 vehicle. A person who is disabled who makes application for a
4 special registration plate under this section ~~and who makes payment~~
5 ~~of the \$5.00 service fee~~ shall be issued a tab for persons with
6 disabilities as provided in section 803f for his or her special
7 registration plate. The secretary of state shall require the same
8 proof that the applicant is a disabled person as is required for
9 issuance of a permanent windshield placard under section 675. A
10 person issued 1 or more special registration plates under
11 subsection (1) shall be assessed the applicable tax provided in
12 section 801.

13 (4) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle other
14 than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a person who
15 does not qualify under this section, is a misdemeanor.

16 (5) The special registration plate issued under this section
17 ~~shall expire~~ **EXPIRES** on the birthday of the vehicle owner. ~~When new~~
18 ~~plates are issued by the secretary of state, application for~~
19 ~~renewal of the special registration plate shall be accompanied by a~~
20 ~~\$5.00 service fee.~~ **THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOT CHARGE A**
21 **SERVICE FEE FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE RENEWED UNDER THIS**
22 **SECTION.** The applicant shall not be required to furnish the proof
23 provided in subsection (2).

24 Sec. 803l. (1) A person who was a member of the armed services
25 during World War II or a person whose spouse was a member of the
26 armed services during World War II may make application to the
27 secretary of state for a special registration plate ~~, which~~ **THAT**

1 shall display an appropriate vignette preceding the registration
2 numbers and shall have the word "veteran" inscribed beneath the
3 registration numbers.

4 (2) Application for a special registration plate shall be on a
5 form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be accompanied
6 by any proof of the applicant or applicant's spouse having been a
7 World War II veteran that the secretary of state may require. ~~The~~
8 ~~application for a special registration plate shall also be~~
9 ~~accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service fee.~~ **THE SECRETARY OF**
10 **STATE SHALL NOT CHARGE A SERVICE FEE FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION**
11 **PLATE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION.**

12 (3) Upon proper application, ~~and payment of the \$5.00 service~~
13 ~~fee,~~ the secretary of state shall issue 1 special registration
14 plate for each applicant for use on a passenger vehicle. A person
15 who is disabled who makes application for a special registration
16 plate under this section ~~and who makes payment of the \$5.00 service~~
17 ~~fee~~ shall be issued a tab for persons with disabilities as provided
18 in section 803f for his or her special registration plate. The
19 secretary of state shall require the same proof that the applicant
20 is a disabled person as is required for issuance of a permanent
21 windshield placard under section 675. A person issued a special
22 registration plate under subsection (1) shall be assessed the
23 applicable tax provided in section 801.

24 (4) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle other
25 than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a person who
26 does not qualify under this section, is a misdemeanor.

27 (5) The special registration plate issued under this section

1 ~~shall expire~~ **EXPIRES** on the birthday of the vehicle owner. ~~When new~~
2 ~~plates are issued by the secretary of state, application for~~
3 ~~renewal of the special registration plate shall be accompanied by a~~
4 ~~\$5.00 service fee.~~ **THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOT CHARGE A**
5 **SERVICE FEE FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE RENEWED UNDER THIS**
6 **SECTION.** The applicant shall not be required to furnish the proof
7 provided in subsection (2).