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TRANSPORTATION

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the issuance of United States armed forces
2 combat motor vehicle registration plates and establishing a
3 fee.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 321.34, Code 1999, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 15. UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES COMBAT
4 SPECIAL PLATES. An owner referred to in subsection 12 who is
5 a veteran of the United States armed forces and served in
6 combat may, upon written application to the department and
7 presentation of satisfactory proof of service in combat, order
8 special registration plates with a United States armed forces
9 combat processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed by the
10 department in cooperation with the adjutant general and shall
11 signify that the owner served in combat. The application is
12 subject to approval by the department, in consultation with
13 the adjutant general. The special plates shall be issued at
14 no charge and are subject to an annual registration fee of
15 fifteen dollars. The county treasurer shall validate the
16 special plates in the same manner as regular registration
17 plates are validated under this section.

18 The surviving spouse of a person who was issued special
19 plates under this subsection may continue to use or apply for
20 and use the special plates subject to registration of the
21 special plates in the surviving spouse's name and upon payment
22 of the annual registration fee. If the surviving spouse
23 remarries, the surviving spouse shall return the special
24 plates to the department and the department shall issue
25 regular registration plates to the surviving spouse.

26 EXPLANATION

27 This bill authorizes the state department of transportation
28 to issue United States armed forces combat special
29 registration plates to persons who are veterans of the United
30 States armed forces and served in combat. The plates shall
31 display a United States armed forces combat processed emblem,
32 designed by the department in cooperation with the adjutant
33 general, and shall be issued at no charge, subject to an
34 annual \$15 registration fee. The surviving spouse of a person
35 who was issued the special plates may continue to use or apply

1 for and use the special plates, unless the spouse has
2 remarried. The surviving spouse must register the plates in
3 the surviving spouse's name and pay the annual registration
4 fee.

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