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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act establishing a special distinguished service cross motor  
2 vehicle registration plate and providing a fee.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 321.34, Code Supplement 2003, is  
2 amended by adding the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 24. DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS SPECIAL  
4 PLATES. The owner of a motor vehicle referred to in  
5 subsection 12 who has been awarded the distinguished service  
6 cross may, upon written application to the department and  
7 presentation of satisfactory proof of the award of the  
8 distinguished service cross as established by the Congress of  
9 the United States, order special registration plates with a  
10 distinguished service cross processed emblem. The emblem  
11 shall be designed by the department in consultation with the  
12 adjutant general and shall signify that the owner was awarded  
13 the distinguished service cross. The application is subject  
14 to approval by the department, in consultation with the  
15 adjutant general. The special plates shall be issued at no  
16 charge and are subject to an annual registration fee of  
17 fifteen dollars. The county treasurer shall validate the  
18 special plates in the same manner as regular registration  
19 plates are validated under this section.

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

28 EXPLANATION

29 This bill establishes a special motor vehicle registration  
30 plate for recipients of the distinguished service cross. The  
31 state department of transportation, in consultation with the  
32 adjutant general, shall design the emblem and approve  
33 applications for the special plate. The plates are to be  
34 issued free of charge, and the annual registration fee will be  
35 \$15. A surviving spouse may continue to use the special

1 plates by registering them in the surviving spouse's name and  
2 paying the annual \$15 registration fee, but the plates must be  
3 exchanged for regular plates if the surviving spouse  
4 remarries.

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