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A BILL FOR

1 An Act creating a special Vietnam veteran motor vehicle
2 registration plate, establishing fees, crediting fees to the
3 veterans license fee fund, and providing an effective date.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 35A.11, Code Supplement 2007, is
1 2 amended by adding the following new subsection:
1 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 10. Vietnam veteran special plates issued
1 4 pursuant to section 321.34, subsection 20C.
1 5 Sec. 2. Section 321.34, Code Supplement 2007, is amended
1 6 by adding the following new subsection:
1 7 NEW SUBSECTION. 20C. VIETNAM VETERAN PLATES. An owner
1 8 referred to in subsection 12 who served on active duty for a
1 9 period of not less than one hundred twenty days in the armed
1 10 forces of the United States at any time between July 1, 1973,
1 11 and May 31, 1975, both dates inclusive, may, upon written
1 12 application to the department, order special registration
1 13 plates with a Vietnam veteran processed emblem. The emblem
1 14 shall be designed by the department in consultation with the
1 15 adjutant general. The special plate fees collected by the
1 16 director under subsection 12, paragraphs "a" and "c", from the
1 17 issuance and annual validation of letter=number designated and
1 18 personalized Vietnam veteran plates shall be paid monthly to
1 19 the treasurer of state and credited to the road use tax fund.
1 20 Notwithstanding section 423.43, and prior to the crediting of
1 21 revenues to the road use tax fund under section 423.43,
1 22 subsection 1, paragraph "b", the treasurer of state shall
1 23 transfer monthly from those revenues to the veterans license
1 24 fee fund created in section 35A.11 the amount of the special
1 25 fees collected under subsection 12, paragraph "a", in the
1 26 previous month for Vietnam veteran plates.
1 27 The surviving spouse of a person who was issued special
1 28 plates under this subsection may continue to use or apply for
1 29 and use the special plates subject to registration of the
1 30 special plates in the surviving spouse's name and upon payment
1 31 of the annual five-dollar special plate fee and the regular
1 32 annual registration fee for the vehicle. If the surviving
1 33 spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall return the
1 34 special plates to the department and the department shall
1 35 issue regular registration plates to the surviving spouse.
2 1 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect January 1,
2 2 2009.

EXPLANATION

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2 4 This bill establishes a special Vietnam veteran motor
2 5 vehicle registration plate, which is to be designed by the
2 6 department of transportation in consultation with the adjutant
2 7 general and is available to a person who served on active duty
2 8 for at least 120 days in the armed forces of the United States
2 9 at any time between July 1, 1973, and May 31, 1975, both dates
2 10 inclusive. The special fee for initial issuance of the
2 11 Vietnam veteran special plate is \$25, and the annual special
2 12 fee for renewal is \$5, in addition to the regular annual
2 13 registration fee. The special fees are credited to the
2 14 veterans license fee fund administered by the veterans affairs
2 15 commission. For personalized plates, a fee of \$25 is required
2 16 in addition to the special Vietnam veteran plate fee. The
2 17 personalized plate fee is credited to the road use tax fund.
2 18 The bill provides that the surviving spouse of a person
2 19 with Vietnam veteran plates may continue to use or apply for

2 20 and use the special plates until the spouse remarries.
2 21 The provisions relating to Vietnam veteran special plates
2 22 mirror current provisions applicable to most of the special
2 23 registration plates associated with military service.
2 24 The bill takes effect January 1, 2009.
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