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HOUSE BILL 12-1162

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Todd, Labuda, Looper, Solano, Soper, Ryden, Fields, Hullinghorst, McCann, Young, Casso, Fischer, Kerr A., Pabon, Pace, Schafer S., Singer, Stephens, Vigil;  
also SENATOR(S) Heath, Williams S., King K., Newell, Schwartz, Spence.

CONCERNING THE CREATION OF AN OPERATION DESERT STORM LICENSE PLATE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-3-213, **amend** (1) (a) (XXI) and (1) (a) (XXII); and **add** (1) (a) (XXIII) and (24) as follows:

**42-3-213. Special plates - military veterans - rules - retirement.**

(1) (a) The department shall issue one or more sets of special license plates to the following persons who own a truck that does not exceed sixteen thousand pounds empty weight, a passenger car, a motorcycle, or a noncommercial or recreational vehicle:

(XXI) A veteran of the Iraq war; or

(XXII) A veteran of world war II; OR

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

(XXIII) A VETERAN OF OPERATION DESERT SHIELD OR DESERT STORM.

(24) **Veteran of operation desert shield or desert storm.** (a) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DESIGN THE VETERAN OF OPERATION DESERT SHIELD OR DESERT STORM LICENSE PLATE TO INDICATE THAT THE OWNER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE TO WHICH THE LICENSE PLATE IS ATTACHED IS A VETERAN OF OPERATION DESERT SHIELD OR DESERT STORM.

(b) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2013, A NATURAL PERSON MAY USE AN OPERATION DESERT SHIELD OR DESERT STORM LICENSE PLATE IF THE PERSON WAS A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED SERVICES BETWEEN AUGUST 2, 1990, AND FEBRUARY 28, 1991.

(c) THE DEPARTMENT OR AN AUTHORIZED AGENT SHALL NOT ISSUE AN OPERATION DESERT SHIELD OR DESERT STORM LICENSE PLATE TO AN APPLICANT UNTIL THE APPLICANT PROVIDES A DD214 FORM ISSUED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OR OTHER EVIDENCE SUFFICIENT TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE APPLICANT IS A VETERAN OF THE ARMED SERVICES WHO SERVED BETWEEN AUGUST 2, 1990, AND FEBRUARY 28, 1991.

**SECTION 2. Appropriation.** (1) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the Colorado state titling and registration account of the highway users tax fund created in section 42-1-211 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, not otherwise appropriated, to the department of revenue, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, the sum of \$2,960, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be allocated for the information technology division for the purchase of computer center services.

(2) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated to the governor - lieutenant governor - state planning and budgeting, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, the sum of \$2,960, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for allocation to the office of information technology, for the provision of computer center services for the department of revenue related to the implementation of this act. Said sum is from reappropriated funds received from the department of revenue out of the appropriation made in subsection (1) of this section.

(3) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the license plate cash fund created in section 42-3-301 (1) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, not otherwise appropriated, to the department of revenue, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, the sum of \$1,976, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for allocation to the division of motor vehicles for the purchase of license plates related to the implementation of this act.

**SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 8, 2012, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2012); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless

approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2012 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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