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ACT No. 484

HOUSE BILL NO. 124

BY REPRESENTATIVES EDWARDS, CHAMPAGNE, GISCLAIR, HILL, HODGES,
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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:490.25, relative to military honor license plates; to provide for the Korean Defense Service license plate; to provide for qualified applicants; to provide for rules and regulations; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 47:490.25 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§490.25. Military honor license plates; Korean Defense Service

A. The provisions of this Section shall be applicable to Korean Defense Service Medal recipients.

B. Upon application of a Korean Defense Service Medal recipient, the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall issue a military honor license plate to be used in lieu of a regular motor vehicle registration plate. The license plates shall be restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans. The military honor license plate shall be known as the "Korean Defense Service" license plate and shall bear a likeness of the Korean Defense Service Medal centered on the left side of the license plate and the words "Korean Defense Service Veteran" centered on the bottom of the plate under the license plate number.

C. The charge for this license plate shall be the regular motor vehicle registration license tax.

D. The secretary shall adopt rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Section, including but not limited to rules governing the transfer

1 of the license plates from one vehicle to another and the disposition of such license
2 plates.

3 E.(1) Any applicant who qualifies for the military honor license plate
4 authorized by this Section may be issued a plate for each vehicle registered in the
5 applicant's name.

6 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this Subsection, each military honor
7 license plate issued under this Section shall be returned to the secretary upon the
8 death of the person to whom the plate was issued. A surviving spouse of a person
9 to whom a license plate was issued under this Section may retain a license plate
10 issued under this Section, provided the surviving spouse has not remarried and
11 provided the surviving spouse applies to the secretary for a transfer of the license
12 plate to the surviving spouse. A military honor license plate transferred under this
13 Subsection to a surviving spouse shall be returned to the secretary upon the death or
14 remarriage of the surviving spouse. In the event that a Korean Defense Service
15 Medal recipient holds more than one military honor license plate at the time the
16 Korean Defense Service Medal recipient dies, the surviving spouse may determine
17 which of the license plates the surviving spouse wishes to retain.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____