ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 203—ASSEMBLYMEN HAFEN, D'SILVA, GRAY; BROWN-MAY, HANSEN, HARDY, MCARTHUR, THOMAS, TORRES AND WATTS

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JOINT SPONSOR: SENATOR NGUYEN

Referred to Committee on Growth and Infrastructure

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to special license plates. (BDR 43-118)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact. Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; authorizing the combination of personalized prestige license plates and certain special license plates; exempting from the payment of certain parking fees vehicles with certain specially designed license plates for family members of persons killed in the line of duty or who died of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States; providing a penalty for persons who make certain false statements or submit false, fraudulent or misleading evidence in connection with an application for certain specially designed license plates; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue personalized prestige license plates and certain special license plates associated with military or public service. (NRS 482.3667, 482.3757-482.3787) **Sections 1-7** of this bill provide that a person may request personalized prestige license plates be combined with certain special license plates associated with military or public service.

Under existing law: (1) each family member of a person killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States is entitled to specially designed license plates which indicate that the person is a family member of a person killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of





the United States; and (2) each family member of a person who died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States is entitled to specially designed license plates which indicate that the person is a family member of a person who died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States. (NRS 482.3785, 482.3787) Sections 8 and 10 of this bill provide that a vehicle on which such specially designed license plates are displayed is exempt from the payment of any parking fees, including, without limitation, those collected through parking meters, charged by the State or any political subdivision or other public body within the State, other than the United States. This is consistent with provisions that exempt from the payment of parking fees certain veterans with certain specially designed license plates. (NRS 482.3765-482.3783)

Sections 1, 9 and 11 of this bill also impose a criminal penalty against a person who: (1) makes a false statement on an application for certain specially designed license plates that he or she is a family member of a person killed in the line of duty or who died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States or was killed in the line of duty while serving as a peace officer and awarded posthumously the Medal of Honor, or equivalent thereof; or (2) submits false, fraudulent or misleading evidence in connection with such an application.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 482.3757 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.3757 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Department shall design, prepare and issue license plates honoring peace officers who have received a medal specified in subsection 3, or the equivalent thereof.

- 2. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different number than the first set of plates issued to the person. Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may be used only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.
- 3. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates for any person qualified pursuant to this section who submits an application on a form prescribed by the Department and evidence satisfactory to the Department that the person is:
- (a) A current or former peace officer who has received one or more of the following medals, or the equivalent thereof, for his or her service as a peace officer:
 - (1) The Medal of Honor;
 - (2) The Purple Heart;
 - (3) The Medal of Valor;
 - (4) The Lifesaving Medal;





(5) The Meritorious Service Medal; or

- (6) The Distinguished Service Medal; or
- (b) A family member of a person who was:
- (1) Killed in the line of duty while serving as a peace officer; and
- (2) Awarded posthumously the Medal of Honor, or the equivalent thereof, for his or her actions as a peace officer.
- 4. A qualifying event described in subsection 3 that entitles a person to special license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section is a qualifying event regardless of whether the event occurs or occurred before, on or after July 1, 2013.
- 5. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:
- (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other transfers; or
- (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle, return them to the Department.
- 6. Except as otherwise provided in this [subsection,] section, no fee in addition to the applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes may be charged for the issuance or renewal of a set of special license plates pursuant to this section. If the special plates issued pursuant to this section are lost, stolen or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of duplicate number plates from the Department for the fees required pursuant to NRS 482.268.
- 7. A person may request that personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with license plates issued pursuant to this section if the person pays the fees prescribed by NRS 482.367 for the personalized prestige license plates.
 - 8. Any person who knowingly:
- (a) Makes a false statement that he or she is a family member of a person who was killed in the line of duty while serving as a peace officer and awarded posthumously the Medal of Honor, or the equivalent thereof, for his or her actions as a peace officer on an application for special license plates pursuant to this section; or
- (b) Submits any evidence pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 3 that is false, fraudulent or misleading,





is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$1,000. In addition, he or she shall surrender to the Department any license plates issued pursuant to this section.

9. As used in this section:

- (a) "Family member" means a widow, widower, parent, stepparent, grandparent, child, stepchild, dependent, sibling, half sibling or stepsibling.
- (b) "Killed in the line of duty while serving as a peace officer" includes peace officers who:
 - (1) Are killed directly in the line of duty; and
 - (2) Die as a result of injuries sustained in the line of duty.
- (c) "Peace officer" means any person upon whom some or all of the powers of a peace officer are conferred pursuant to NRS 289.150 to 289.360, inclusive.
 - **Sec. 2.** NRS 482.376 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.376 1. An owner of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this State and is an enlisted or commissioned member of the Nevada National Guard may, upon application on a form prescribed and furnished by the Department, signed by the member and his or her commanding officer and accompanied by proof of enlistment, be issued license plates upon which is inscribed NAT'L GUARD with a number of characters, including numbers and letters, as determined necessary by the Director pursuant to NRS 482.367003. The applicant shall comply with the laws of this State concerning motor vehicles, including the payment of the regular registration fees, as prescribed by this chapter. There is an additional fee of \$5 for the issuance of those plates.
- 2. Each member may request two sets of license plates as described in subsection 1. The second set of license plates for an additional vehicle must have a different number than the first set of license plates issued to the same member. The license plates may only be used on private passenger vehicles or noncommercial trucks.
- 3. Any member of the Nevada National Guard other than the Adjutant General, who retires or is honorably discharged may retain any license plates issued to the member pursuant to subsection 1. The Adjutant General shall surrender any license plates issued to him or her as Adjutant General to the Department when he or she leaves office, and may then be issued special license plates as described in subsection 1. If a member is dishonorably discharged, the member shall surrender any of these special plates in his or her possession to the Department at least 10 days before the member's discharge and, in lieu of those plates, is entitled to receive regular Nevada license plates.





- 4. A person may request that personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with license plates issued pursuant to this section if the person pays the fees prescribed by NRS 482.367, for the personalized prestige license plates in addition to the fees prescribed by this section for the license plates issued pursuant to this section.
 - **Sec. 3.** NRS 482.3765 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.3765 1. A veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States who survived the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, is entitled to specially designed license plates inscribed with the words "PEARL HARBOR VETERAN" or "PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR," at the option of the veteran, and a number of characters, including numbers and letters, as determined necessary by the Director pursuant to NRS 482.367003.
- 2. A person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section, has suffered a qualifying service-connected disability as a result of his or her service in the Armed Forces of the United States and receives compensation from the United States for the disability is entitled to have his or her special license plates issued pursuant to this section inscribed with the international symbol of access, which must comply with any applicable federal standards and must be white on a blue background.
- 3. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different number than the first set of plates issued to the same applicant. Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may be used only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.
- 4. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates for persons qualified pursuant to this section who submit an application on a form prescribed by the Department and evidence of their status as a survivor and, if applicable and subject to the provisions of NRS 417.0187, evidence of disability required by the Department.
- 5. A vehicle on which license plates issued by the Department pursuant to subsection 2 are displayed is exempt from the payment of any parking fees, including those collected through parking meters, charged by the State or any political subdivision or other public body within the State, other than the United States.
- 6. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special license plates issued pursuant to this section disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:
- (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the





Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other transfers; or

- (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle, return them to the Department.
- 7. The fee for a set of special license plates issued pursuant to this section is \$25, in addition to all other applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes. The annual fee for a renewal sticker for a set of special license plates issued pursuant to this section is \$5.
- 8. A person may request that personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with license plates that indicate the person's status as a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States who survived the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, if the person pays the fees prescribed by NRS 482.367, for the personalized prestige license plates in addition to the fees prescribed by this section for the license plates that indicate the person's status as a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States who survived the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941.
 - **Sec. 4.** NRS 482.377 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.377 1. A veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States who, as a result of his or her service:
- (a) Has suffered a qualifying service-connected disability and who receives compensation from the United States for the disability is entitled to specially designed license plates that must be inscribed with:
- (1) The words "DISABLED VETERAN," "DISABLED FEMALE VETERAN" or "VETERAN WHO IS DISABLED," at the option of the veteran;
- (2) The international symbol of access, which must comply with any applicable federal standards and must be white on a blue background; and
- (3) A number of characters, including numbers and letters, as determined necessary by the Director pursuant to NRS 482.367003.
- (b) Has been captured and held prisoner by a military force of a foreign nation is entitled to specially designed license plates inscribed with the words "EX PRISONER OF WAR" and a number of characters, including numbers and letters, as determined necessary by the Director pursuant to NRS 482.367003.
- 2. A person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1, has suffered a qualifying service-connected disability as a result of his or her service in the Armed Forces of the United States and receives compensation from the United States for the disability is entitled to have his or her special license plates issued pursuant to this section inscribed with the





international symbol of access, which must comply with any applicable federal standards and must be white on a blue background.

- 3. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different number than the first set of plates issued to the same applicant. Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may be used only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.
- 4. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates for persons qualified pursuant to this section who submit an application on a form prescribed by the Department and, subject to the provisions of NRS 417.0187, evidence of disability, former imprisonment or both, as applicable, required by the Department.
- 5. A vehicle on which license plates issued by the Department pursuant to this section are displayed is exempt from the payment of any parking fees, including those collected through parking meters, charged by the State or any political subdivision or other public body within the State, other than the United States.
- 6. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special license plates issued pursuant to this section disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:
- (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other transfers; or
- (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle, return them to the Department.
- 7. A person may request that personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with license plates issued pursuant to this section if the person pays the fees prescribed by NRS 482.367 for the personalized prestige license plates.
 - **Sec. 5.** NRS 482.3775 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.3775 1. A veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States who was awarded the Purple Heart is entitled to specially designed license plates which indicate that the veteran is a recipient of the Purple Heart.
- 2. A person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section, has suffered a qualifying service-connected disability as a result of his or her service in the Armed Forces of the United States and receives compensation from the United States for the disability is entitled to have his or her special license plates issued pursuant to this section inscribed with the international symbol of





access, which must comply with any applicable federal standards and must be white on a blue background.

- 3. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different number than the first set of plates issued to the same applicant. Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may be used only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.
- 4. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates for any person qualified pursuant to this section who submits an application on a form prescribed by the Department and evidence of his or her status as a recipient of the Purple Heart and, if applicable and subject to the provisions of NRS 417.0187, evidence of disability as required by the Department. The Department may designate any appropriate colors for the special plates.
- 5. A vehicle on which license plates issued by the Department pursuant to subsection 2 are displayed is exempt from the payment of any parking fees, including those collected through parking meters, charged by the State or any political subdivision or other public body within the State, other than the United States.
- 6. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:
- (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other transfers; or
- (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle, return them to the Department.
- 7. Except as otherwise provided in this [subsection,] section, no fee in addition to the applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes may be charged for the issuance or renewal of a set of special license plates pursuant to this section. If the special plates issued pursuant to this section are lost, stolen or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of duplicate number plates from the Department for the fees required pursuant to NRS 482.268.
- 8. A person may request that personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with license plates that indicate the person's status as a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States who was awarded the Purple Heart if the person pays the fees prescribed by NRS 482.367 for the personalized prestige license plates.





- **Sec. 6.** NRS 482.378 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.378 1. An owner of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this State and has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor may, upon signed application on a form prescribed and furnished by the Department, be issued license plates which indicate that he or she is a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor. The applicant shall comply with the motor vehicle laws of this State, including the provisions of chapter 371 of NRS and the payment of the registration fees required by this chapter, but *except as otherwise provided in subsection 6*, no fee may be charged under NRS 482.367.
- 2. A person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section, has suffered a qualifying service-connected disability as a result of his or her service in the Armed Forces of the United States and receives compensation from the United States for the disability is entitled to have his or her special license plates issued pursuant to this section inscribed with the international symbol of access, which must comply with any applicable federal standards and must be white on a blue background.
- 3. Each person who is eligible for special license plates under this section may apply for two sets of plates. The second set of plates for an additional vehicle must have a different number than the first set of plates issued to the same applicant. The plates may be used only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.
- 4. A vehicle on which license plates issued by the Department pursuant to subsection 2 are displayed is exempt from the payment of any parking fees, including those collected through parking meters, charged by the State or any political subdivision or other public body within the State, other than the United States.
- 5. The Department may adopt regulations governing the issuance of special license plates to recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor.
- 6. A person may request that personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with license plates that indicate the person's status as a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor if that person pays the fees prescribed by NRS 482.367 for the personalized prestige license plates.
 - **Sec. 7.** NRS 482.3783 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.3783 1. The Department shall design, prepare and issue license plates honoring veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States who have been awarded, as applicable, the:
 - (a) Silver Star; or





- (b) Bronze Star Medal with "V" device, Combat V or Combat Distinguishing Device.
- 2. A person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section, has suffered a qualifying service-connected disability as a result of his or her service in the Armed Forces of the United States and receives compensation from the United States for the disability is entitled to have his or her special license plates issued pursuant to this section inscribed with the international symbol of access, which must comply with the applicable federal standards and must be white on a blue background.
- 3. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different number than the first set of plates issued to the same applicant. Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may only be used on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.
- 4. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates for any person qualified pursuant to this section who submits an application on a form prescribed by the Department and evidence of his or her status as a recipient of the Silver Star or the Bronze Star Medal with "V" device, Combat V or Combat Distinguishing Device, as applicable, and, subject to the provisions of NRS 417.0187, evidence of his or her service-connected disability, if applicable, as required by the Department. The Department may designate any appropriate colors for the special plates.
- 5. [Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a] A vehicle on which license plates issued by the Department pursuant to subsection 2 are displayed is exempt from the payment of any parking fees, including, without limitation, those collected through parking meters, charged by the State or any political subdivision or other public body within this State, other than the United States.
- 6. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:
- (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other transfers; or
- (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle, return them to the Department.
- 7. Except as otherwise provided in this [subsection,] section, no fee in addition to the applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes may be charged for the issuance or





renewal of a set of special license plates pursuant to this section. If the special license plates issued pursuant to this section are lost, stolen or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of duplicate number plates from the Department for the fees required pursuant to NRS 482.268.

- 8. A person may request that personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with license plates that indicate the person's status as a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States who has been awarded the Silver Star or the Bronze Star Medal with "V" device, Combat V or Combat Distinguishing Device if the person pays the fees prescribed by NRS 482.367 for the personalized prestige license plates.
 - **Sec. 8.** NRS 482.3785 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.3785 1. Each family member of a person killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States is entitled to specially designed license plates which indicate that the person is a family member of a person killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States.
- 2. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different number than the first set of plates issued to the same applicant. Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may be used only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.
- 3. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates for any person qualified pursuant to this section who submits an application on a form prescribed by the Department and evidence satisfactory to the Department that the person is a family member of a person killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States. The Department may designate any appropriate colors for the special plates, but must ensure that the design of the plates includes a gold star.
- 4. A vehicle on which license plates issued by the Department pursuant to this section are displayed is exempt from the payment of any parking fees, including, without limitation, those collected through parking meters, charged by the State or any political subdivision or other public body within this State, other than the United States.
- 5. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:
- (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the





Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other transfers; or

- (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle, return them to the Department.
- [5.] 6. Except as otherwise provided in this [subsection,] section, no fee in addition to the applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes may be charged for the issuance or renewal of a set of special license plates pursuant to this section. If the special plates issued pursuant to this section are lost, stolen or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of duplicate number plates from the Department for the fees required pursuant to NRS 482.268.
 - [6.] 7. As used in this section:

- (a) "Family member" means a widow, widower, parent, stepparent, grandparent, child, stepchild, dependent, sibling, half sibling or stepsibling.
- (b) "Killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States" includes persons killed directly in the line of duty and persons who die as a result of injuries sustained in the line of duty.
 - **Sec. 9.** NRS 482.3785 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.3785 1. Each family member of a person killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States is entitled to specially designed license plates which indicate that the person is a family member of a person killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States.
- 2. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different number than the first set of plates issued to the same applicant. Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may be used only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.
- 3. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates for any person qualified pursuant to this section who submits an application on a form prescribed by the Department and evidence satisfactory to the Department that the person is a family member of a person killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States. The Department may designate any appropriate colors for the special plates, but must ensure that the design of the plates includes a gold star.
- 4. A vehicle on which license plates issued by the Department pursuant to this section are displayed is exempt from the payment of any parking fees, including, without limitation, those collected through parking meters, charged by the State or any political





subdivision or other public body within this State, other than the United States.

- 5. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:
- (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other transfers; or
- (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle, return them to the Department.
- 6. Except as otherwise provided in this section, no fee in addition to the applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes may be charged for the issuance or renewal of a set of special license plates pursuant to this section. If the special plates issued pursuant to this section are lost, stolen or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of duplicate number plates from the Department for the fees required pursuant to NRS 482.268.
 - 7. Any person who knowingly:
- (a) Makes a false statement that he or she is a family member of a person killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States on an application for special license plates pursuant to this section; or
- (b) Submits any evidence pursuant to subsection 3 that is false, fraudulent or misleading,
- is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$1,000. In addition, he or she shall surrender to the Department any license plates issued pursuant to this section.
 - **8.** As used in this section:
- (a) "Family member" means a widow, widower, parent, stepparent, grandparent, child, stepchild, dependent, sibling, half sibling or stepsibling.
- (b) "Killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States" includes persons killed directly in the line of duty and persons who die as a result of injuries sustained in the line of duty.
 - **Sec. 10.** NRS 482.3787 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.3787 1. Each family member of a person who died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States is entitled to specially designed license plates which indicate that the person is a family member of a person who died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States.





- 2. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different number than the first set of plates issued to the same applicant. Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may be used only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.
- 3. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates for any person qualified pursuant to this section who submits an application on a form prescribed by the Department and evidence satisfactory to the Department that the person is a family member of a person who died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States. The Department may designate any appropriate colors for the special plates.
- 4. A vehicle on which license plates issued by the Department pursuant to this section are displayed is exempt from the payment of any parking fees, including, without limitation, those collected through parking meters, charged by the State or any political subdivision or other public body within this State, other than the United States.
- 5. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:
- (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other transfers; or
- (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle, return them to the Department.
- [5.] 6. Except as otherwise provided in this [subsection,] section, no fee in addition to the applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes may be charged for the issuance or renewal of a set of special license plates pursuant to this section. If the special plates issued pursuant to this section are lost, stolen or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of duplicate number plates from the Department for the fees required pursuant to NRS 482.268.
 - [6.] 7. As used in this section:
- (a) "Died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States" includes persons who die as a result of an injury sustained while on active duty whether or not the person had been discharged from military service at the time of his or her death.





- (b) "Family member" means a widow, widower, parent, stepparent, grandparent, child, stepchild, dependent, sibling, half sibling or stepsibling.
 - **Sec. 11.** NRS 482.3787 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.3787 1. Each family member of a person who died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States is entitled to specially designed license plates which indicate that the person is a family member of a person who died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States.
- 2. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different number than the first set of plates issued to the same applicant. Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may be used only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.
- 3. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates for any person qualified pursuant to this section who submits an application on a form prescribed by the Department and evidence satisfactory to the Department that the person is a family member of a person who died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States. The Department may designate any appropriate colors for the special plates.
- 4. A vehicle on which license plates issued by the Department pursuant to this section are displayed is exempt from the payment of any parking fees, including, without limitation, those collected through parking meters, charged by the State or any political subdivision or other public body within this State, other than the United States.
- 5. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:
- (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other transfers; or
- (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle, return them to the Department.
- 6. Except as otherwise provided in this section, no fee in addition to the applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes may be charged for the issuance or renewal of a set of special license plates pursuant to this section. If the special plates issued pursuant to this section are lost, stolen or





mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of duplicate number plates from the Department for the fees required pursuant to NRS 482.268.

7. Any person who knowingly:

- (a) Makes a false statement that he or she is a family member of a person who died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States on an application for special license plates pursuant to this section; or
- (b) Submits any evidence pursuant to subsection 3 that is false, fraudulent or misleading,
- is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$1,000. In addition, he or she shall surrender to the Department any license plates issued pursuant to this section.
 - 8. As used in this section:
- (a) "Died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States" includes persons who die as a result of an injury sustained while on active duty whether or not the person had been discharged from military service at the time of his or her death.
- (b) "Family member" means a widow, widower, parent, stepparent, grandparent, child, stepchild, dependent, sibling, half sibling or stepsibling.
- **Sec. 12.** 1. This section and sections 8 and 10 of this act become effective upon passage and approval.
- 2. Sections 1 to 7, inclusive, 9 and 11 of this act become effective 30 days after the date on which the Department of Motor Vehicles publishes on its Internet website a statement indicating that it has completed the preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.





