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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES

Introduced By: Representatives Caldwell, Phillips, Baginski, Azzinaro, and Vella-Wilkinson

Date Introduced: February 24, 2021

Referred To: House Special Legislation

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 31-3 of the General Laws entitled "Registration of Vehicles" is
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **31-3-53.1. Military honors decals.**

4 (a)(1) The division of motor vehicles is empowered to make available decals indicating
5 that the applicant is a recipient of the following military honor:

6 (i) Congressional Medal of Honor;

7 (ii) Distinguished Flying Cross;

8 (iii) Navy/Army/Air Force Cross;

9 (iv) Silver Star medal; and

10 (v) Bronze Star medal.

11 (2) When making the request for such a decal, the applicant shall submit to the division of
12 motor vehicles a copy of the military order or a DD-214 documenting issuance of the honor.

13 (b) The decals issued pursuant to subsection (a) of this section and subsection (b) of section
14 31-3-53 may be affixed on the following plates in a location that does not obscure the preprinted
15 plate contents:

16 (1) Disabled veteran plates issued pursuant to section 31-6-8;

17 (2) Ex-P.O.W plates issued pursuant to section 31-3-46;

18 (3) Purple Heart plates issued pursuant to section 31-3-48;

19 (4) Veteran plates issued pursuant to section 31-3-53;

- 1 [\(5\) National Guard plates issued pursuant to section 31-3-62; and](#)
- 2 [\(6\) Gold Star Family plates issued pursuant to section 31-3-111.](#)
- 3 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would create a license plate decal for the recipients of certain military honors.
- 2 This act would take effect upon passage.

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