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HOUSE BILL 476

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2004

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL REGISTRATION
PLATES FOR COMBAT VETERANS; PROVIDING A PENALTY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the Motor Vehicle Code is
enacted to read:

"~~[NEW MATERIAL]~~ REGISTRATION PLATES FOR COMBAT VETERANS. --

A. The department shall issue a standardized
special registration plate with a logo specified in Section
66-3-424 NMSA 1978 indicating status as a combat veteran to a
person who submits proof satisfactory to the department that he
is a bona fide combat veteran.

B. No fee, including the regular registration fee
applicable to the passenger motor vehicle, if any, shall be
collected for the issuance of a special registration plate

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1 pursuant to this section. A person who is eligible for a
2 special registration plate pursuant to this section and also is
3 eligible for one or more special registration plates pursuant
4 to Sections 66-3-406, 66-3-409, 66-3-411 through 66-3-412. 1,
5 66-3-414, 66-3-415 and 66-3-419 NMSA 1978 shall be issued
6 special registration plates pursuant to only one of those
7 sections, the choice of which shall be made by the veteran.

8 C. No person shall falsely represent himself to be
9 a combat veteran so as to be eligible to be issued special
10 plates pursuant to this section when he in fact is not a combat
11 veteran.

12 D. Any person who violates the provisions of
13 Subsection C of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

14 E. The secretary shall approve the final logo
15 design for the special registration plates for combat veterans
16 in accordance with New Mexico law. "