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SENATE BILL 515

**47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2006**

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; DESIGNATING A SPECIAL PATRIOT  
REGISTRATION PLATE; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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] SPECIAL PATRIOT REGISTRATION PLATE.--

A. The department shall issue a standardized  
special patriot registration plate with a logo specified in  
Section 66-3-424 NMSA 1978 indicating that the recipient is a  
patriot.

B. For a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), which  
shall be in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration  
fees, a motor vehicle owner who is a patriot may apply for the  
issuance of a special registration plate as provided in

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1 Subsection A of this section. No two owners shall be issued  
2 identically lettered or numbered registration plates.

3 C. The twenty-five-dollar (\$25.00) fee provided in  
4 Subsection B of this section shall be waived for each  
5 registration period in which a validating sticker is issued  
6 under the provisions of Section 66-3-17 NMSA 1978, in lieu of  
7 the issuance of a special patriot registration plate.

8 D. The revenue from the special patriot  
9 registration plate fee imposed by Subsection B of this section  
10 shall be distributed as follows:

11 (1) ten dollars (\$10.00) of the fee collected  
12 for each registration plate shall be retained by the department  
13 and is appropriated to the department for the manufacture and  
14 issuance of the registration plates;

15 (2) seven dollars (\$7.00) of the fee collected  
16 for each registration plate shall be paid to the state  
17 treasurer for credit to the motor vehicle suspense fund for  
18 distribution in accordance with Section 66-6-23 NMSA 1978; and

19 (3) eight dollars (\$8.00) of the fee collected  
20 for each registration plate shall be paid to the state  
21 treasurer for credit to the armed forces veterans license fund  
22 for distribution pursuant to Section 66-3-419 NMSA 1978."