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**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1819

4 By: Representative Beaty Jr.

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7 Filed with: Arkansas Legislative Council  
8 pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

**For An Act To Be Entitled**

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10 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DESIGN OF  
11 DISABLED VETERAN SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES; TO ALLOW THE  
12 ISSUANCE OF CERTAIN MEDAL DECALS; AND FOR OTHER  
13 PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

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17 DISABLED VETERAN SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES;  
18 AND TO ALLOW THE ISSUANCE OF CERTAIN  
19 MEDAL DECALS.  
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 24, Subchapter 2, is  
26 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

27 27-24-216. Redesign and medal decals for disabled veteran special  
28 license plates.

29 (a) As used in this section, "disabled veteran special license plate"  
30 means a disabled veteran special license plate and a disabled veteran –  
31 nonservice injury special license plate issued under this subchapter.

32 (b)(1) The Department of Finance and Administration shall redesign the  
33 disabled veteran special license plate.

34 (2) The design of the disabled veteran special license plate  
35 shall include a blank space that is sufficient for a medal decal available  
36 for issuance by the department under § 27-24-209(d)(1).

1           (c)(1) The Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration  
2 shall approve the new design and determine:

3                   (A) The fee for the cost of an initial order of at least  
4 three thousand (3,000) disabled veteran special license plates which shall be  
5 based on the cost of initial orders of new designs for special license  
6 plates;

7                   (B) The number of applications that must be received to  
8 cover the cost or the initial order of disabled veteran special license  
9 plates required by subdivision (c)(1)(A) of this section; or

10                   (C) The product of subdivisions (c)(1) and (2) of this  
11 section that must be received in order to cover the cost of the initial order  
12 of the disabled veteran special license plates.

13                   (2) The fee shall be deposited into the State Central Services  
14 Fund for the benefit of the Revenue Division of the Department of Finance and  
15 Administration and shall be credited as supplemental and in addition to all  
16 other funds as may be deposited for the benefit of the division.

17                   (3) The fee shall not be considered or credited to the division  
18 as direct revenues.

19           (d) An applicant shall be issued a disabled veteran special license  
20 plate with a medal decal under this section:

21                   (1) Upon payment to the department of the fee required by  
22 subsection (c) of this section to cover the cost of the initial order of the  
23 newly designed license plate that is a result of the change of design;

24                   (2) Upon payment of a fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) for the medal  
25 decal and an additional handling and administrative fee of one dollar (\$1.00)  
26 as required by § 27-24-209; and

27                   (3) If the applicant establishes that he or she was awarded the  
28 medal corresponding to the medal decal requested by the applicant.

29           (e) A license plate issued under this subchapter before August 1,  
30 2021, shall be valid and is not required to be exchanged until requested by  
31 the department.

32           (f) The department may issue license plates that were created and  
33 purchased under this subchapter before August 1, 2021.

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