

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 85th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2005
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2003

5 By: Representative Walters
6 By: Senator Wilkinson
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION ENDURING
10 FREEDOM VETERAN LICENSE PLATE; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

13 TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION ENDURING
14 FREEDOM VETERAN LICENSE PLATE.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 15 is amended to add an
22 additional subchapter to read as follows:

Subchapter 48.

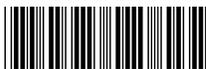
Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran License Plate.

25 27-15-4801. Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran license plate
26 authorized.

27 The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall
28 issue a special Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran motor vehicle license
29 plate in the manner and subject to the conditions prescribed in this
30 subchapter.

27-15-4802. Design.

33 (a) The license plates issued under this subchapter shall be the
34 standard color and design as are currently issued by the Department of
35 Finance and Administration, except that in lieu of the legend "The Natural
36 State" or any succeeding legend, the license plates shall have placed across



1 the bottom a permanent decal bearing the words "Operation Enduring Freedom
 2 Veteran".

3 (b) The license plates issued under this subchapter shall be numbered
 4 consecutively.

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 6 27-15-4803. Eligibility.

7 (a) The Department of Finance and Administration shall require proof
 8 of eligibility for a special license plate under this subchapter.

9 (b) The proof shall be sufficient to establish that the applicant
 10 honorably served in Operation Enduring Freedom.

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 12 27-15-4804.

13 (a) Upon payment of the fee required by law for the registration of
 14 the vehicle and payment of an additional handling and administrative fee of
 15 ten dollars (\$10.00) for the issuance of the special Operation Enduring
 16 Freedom Veteran license plate, the Department of Finance and Administration
 17 shall issue to the vehicle owner an Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran
 18 license plate.

19 (b)(1) The handling and administrative fee of ten dollars (\$10.00)
 20 shall be deposited to the State Central Services Fund for the benefit of the
 21 Revenue Division of the Department of Finance and Administration.

22 (2) The fee shall not be considered or credited to the division
 23 as direct revenues.

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 25 27-15-4805. Renewal.

26 (a)(1) The special Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran license plate
 27 issued under this subchapter may be renewed annually under the procedures in
 28 § 27-15-4803 and under §§ 27-14-1012 and 27-14-1013.

29 (2) Registration may continue from year to year as long as it is
 30 renewed each year within the time and manner required by law.

31 (b) Upon expiration or if the special Operation Enduring Freedom
 32 Veteran license plate is lost, the plate may be replaced with a regular
 33 license plate at the fee specified in § 27-14-602(b)(6).

34 (c) If the special Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran license plate is
 35 replaced with a new Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran license plate, the
 36 owner shall be required to pay the fees for the issuance of the license plate

1 under § 27-15-4803.

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3 27-15-4806. Transfer to another vehicle.

4 The special Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran license plate issued
5 under this subchapter may be transferred from one (1) vehicle to another as
6 provided in § 27-14-914.

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8 27-15-4807. Compliance with other laws -- Exemption from minimum
9 applications and discontinuation.

10 (a) The special Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran license plate shall
11 comply with all other state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and
12 licensing of motor vehicles unless specifically provided otherwise in this
13 subchapter.

14 (b) The special Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran license plate is
15 exempt from the minimum application requirements under § 27-15-4004(a) and
16 the discontinuation of the license plate under § 27-15-4004(b).

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18 27-15-4808. Rules and regulations.

19 The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall
20 promulgate reasonable rules and regulations and prescribe forms as the
21 director determines to be necessary for effectively and efficiently carrying
22 out the intent and purposes of this subchapter.

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24 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
25 General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that since September 11, 2001, the
26 country has an increased need for soldiers to fight against terrorism abroad;
27 that Reservists and National Guard members risk their lives to protect and
28 defend our country; that military service in Operation Enduring Freedom
29 should be honored; and that this act is immediately necessary to honor the
30 veterans of Operation Enduring Freedom. Therefore, an emergency is declared
31 to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the
32 public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

33 (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

34 (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,
35 the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the
36 bill; or

1 (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is
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