



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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H.B. 310*

131st General Assembly
(As Reported by H. Transportation and Infrastructure)

Reps. Ryan and Ginter, Landis, Grossman, Hackett, Vitale, Romanchuk, Derickson, Dever, Sheehy, Perales, Green, Dovilla

CONTENT AND OPERATION

The "Distinguished Flying Cross" license plate

The bill creates the following license plate:

Special License Plate	Distinguished Flying Cross license plate, which must contain an illustration of the Distinguished Flying Cross and be inscribed with the words "DFC Medal recipient." ¹
Recipients	Available to anyone who is the recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross.
Eligible Vehicles	Any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other vehicle approved by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles.
Contribution and Additional BMV Fee	No required contribution. No additional BMV fee.
Use of Contribution	Not applicable.
Requirements for Issuance	(1) Submission of an application and satisfactory evidence documenting that the applicant is a recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross; (2) Payment of the regular license tax, any applicable local tax, any applicable special reserved license plate fee; and (3) Compliance with all other applicable laws relating to motor vehicle registration.

* This analysis was prepared before the report of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee appeared in the House Journal. Note that the list of co-sponsors and the legislative history may be incomplete.

¹ R.C. 4503.434.

Combined with Special Reserved License Plate	May be combined with a special reserved license plate provided in current law.
Applicability of License Plate Termination Procedures	Procedures governing the termination of nonstandard license plates do not apply.

Falsifying an application for the "Distinguished Flying Cross" license plate

The bill prohibits any person who is not a recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross from willfully and falsely representing that the person is such a recipient for the purpose of obtaining the license plates. The bill also prohibits any person from permitting a motor vehicle owned or leased by the person to bear such license plates unless the person is eligible to be issued such license plates. Under the criminal code, a person who commits such a violation may be found guilty of falsification.² Generally, falsification is a first degree misdemeanor.³

HISTORY

ACTION

Introduced
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² R.C. 4503.434(C).

³ R.C. 2921.13(F), not in the bill.

