



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

## Bill Analysis

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(As Introduced)

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## CONTENT AND OPERATION

### "Vietnam Veteran" license plate

The bill creates the following license plate:<sup>1</sup>

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| <b>Special License Plate</b>               | <b>Vietnam Veteran</b> license plate, which is inscribed with identifying letters or numerals and the words "Vietnam Veteran" and bears a reproduction of the United States Marine Corps logo.   |
| <b>Recipients</b>                          | Available to any person who served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam conflict and who is on active duty or is an honorably discharged veteran.  |
| <b>Eligible Vehicles</b>                   | Any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other vehicle approved by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles.  |
| <b>Contribution and Additional BMV Fee</b> | \$0 required contribution.<br><br>No additional administrative BMV fee.  |
| <b>Requirements for Issuance</b>           | (1) Submission of an application;<br><br>(2) Payment of the regular license tax and any applicable local tax;<br><br>(3) Written evidence of the applicant's service as the Registrar requires by rule, or in the case of an honorably discharged veteran, a copy of the applicant's DD-214 form or an equivalent document; and<br><br>(4) Compliance with all other applicable laws relating to motor vehicle registration. |

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<sup>1</sup> R.C. 4503.537.

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| <b>Combined with Special Reserved License Plate</b>          | May not be combined with a special reserved license plate provided in current law.            |
| <b>Applicability of License Plate Termination Procedures</b> | Procedures governing the termination of nonstandard license plates do not apply. <sup>2</sup> |

## "Combat Medical Badge" license plate

The bill creates the following license plate:<sup>3</sup>

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| <b>Special License Plate</b>                                 | <b>Combat Medical Badge</b> license plate, which is inscribed with the words "Combat Medical Badge" and bears a reproduction of the Combat Medical Badge.  |
| <b>Recipients</b>  | Available to any United States Army veteran who has been awarded the Combat Medical Badge.   |
| <b>Eligible Vehicles</b>                                     | Any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other vehicle approved by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles.  |
| <b>Contribution and Additional BMV Fee</b>                   | \$0 required contribution.<br><br>No additional administrative BMV fee.  |
| <b>Requirements for Issuance</b>                             | (1) Submission of an application;<br><br>(2) Payment of the regular license tax, any applicable local tax, contribution, administrative fee, any applicable special reserved license plate fee;<br><br>(3) Submission of documentary evidence in support of the award as the Registrar may require; and<br><br>(4) Compliance with all other applicable laws relating to motor vehicle registration. |
| <b>Combined with Special Reserved License Plate</b>          | May be combined with a special reserved license plate provided in current law.   |
| <b>Applicability of License Plate Termination Procedures</b> | Procedures governing the termination of nonstandard license plates do not apply. <sup>4</sup>  |

<sup>2</sup> R.C. 4503.537(B).

<sup>3</sup> R.C. 4503.536.

<sup>4</sup> R.C. 4503.536(C).

## "Combat Action Medal" license plate

Under current law, a person who has been awarded the Combat Action Ribbon or Badge may apply for the Combat Action Ribbon or Combat Action Badge license plate, respectively.<sup>5</sup> The bill establishes the "Combat Action Medal" license plate and authorizes a recipient of the Combat Action Medal to apply for the license plate. The bill specifies that the "Combat Action Medal" license plate must bear a reproduction of the Combat Action Medal and be inscribed with the words "Combat Action Medal."

All of the requirements associated with the issuance of Combat Action Ribbon or Combat Action Badge license plates apply to the issuance of Combat Action Medal license plates.<sup>6</sup>

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### HISTORY

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<sup>5</sup> R.C. 4503.533.

<sup>6</sup> R.C. 4503.533(A).

