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ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1360

Introduced by

Representatives Meier, Fehr, Karls, Lefor, Owens, Porter, Steiner, Toman, Trottier Senators Carlisle, Oehlke

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 39-04 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to patriotic number plates; to amend and reenact subdivision j of
- 3 subsection 2 of section 39-04-18 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to disabled veteran
- 4 motor vehicle registration; and to provide a contingent effective date.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

6 SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 39-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
7 and enacted as follows:

8	<u>Patr</u>	riotic number plates.		
9	<u>1.</u>	<u>The</u>	director shall issue patriotic plates under this section upon receiving:	
10		<u>a.</u>	Payment of all other fees required under this chapter for registration of a motor	
11			vehicle;	
12		<u>b.</u>	Payment of an initial fee of twenty-five dollars of which twenty dollars is deposited	
13			in the highway tax distribution fund and five dollars is deposited in the veterans'	
14			postwar trust fund; and	
15		<u>C.</u>	Payment of an annual surcharge of ten dollars which is deposited in the veterans'	
16			postwar trust fund.	
17	<u>2.</u>	<u>The</u>	department shall collect the initial fees and the annual surcharges under this	
18		<u>secti</u>	ion. Deposits in the postwar trust fund under this section must be added to the	
19		princ	pipal of the fund. Investment of the fund is the responsibility of the state treasurer	
20		<u>who</u>	shall have full authority to invest the fund only in the same manner as the state	
21		inves	stment board is authorized to make investments.	
22	<u>3.</u>	<u>Patri</u>	iotic plates must include a flag of the United States decal plate, bald eagle decal	
23		plate	e, or boony stomper decal plate. A patriotic plate issued under this section must	
24		<u>bear</u>	a logo of a United States flag, bald eagle, or boony stomper. The logo must be	

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1	placed on the left side of the patriotic plate. The director shall coordinate with the			
2	commissioner of veterans' affairs to design the three logos.			
3	SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Subdivision j of subsection 2 of section 39-04-18 of the Nort	h		
4	Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:			
5	j. Motor vehicles not exceeding twenty-six thousand pounds [11793.40 kilograms	5]		
6	registered gross weight owned and operated by a disabled veteran under the			
7	provisions of Public Law 79-663 [38 U.S.C. 3901], a disabled veteran who has	а		
8	one hundred percent service-connected disability as determined by the			
9	department of veterans' affairs, or a disabled veteran who has an extra-schedu	ılar		
10	rating to include individual unemployability that brings the veteran's total disabi	lity		
11	rating to one hundred percent as determined by the department of veterans'			
12	affairs is entitled to display <u>either</u> a distinctive license plate or a standard plate	-		
13	that does not identify the veteran as a veteran or disabled veteran which is			
14	issued by the department. This exemption applies to no more than two such			
15	motor vehicles owned by a disabled veteran at any one time. A surviving spous	<u>se</u> _		
16	of a disabled veteran who has not remarried and who is receiving department of	<u>of</u>		
17	veterans' affairs dependency and indemnity compensation retains the exemption	<u>on</u>		
18	of the deceased veteran who qualified under this subdivision for one vehicle.			
19	SECTION 3. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act is effective on the date the			
20	director of the department of transportation certifies to the secretary of state that the new motor			
21	vehicle registration software for the department is installed and functioning and not earlier than			
22	January 1, 2016July 1, 2016.			