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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to license plates; amending 47 O.S.  
8 2021, Section 1135.2, as last amended by Section 80,  
9 Chapter 452, O.S.L. 2024 (47 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section  
10 1135.2), which relates to special license plates;  
modifying number of vehicles an owner may tag with  
Disabled Veterans License Plates; and providing an  
effective date.

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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2021, Section 1135.2, as

14 last amended by Section 80, Chapter 452, O.S.L. 2024 (47 O.S. Supp.  
15 2024, Section 1135.2), is amended to read as follows:

16 Section 1135.2. A. Service Oklahoma is hereby authorized to  
17 design and issue appropriate official special license plates to  
18 persons in recognition of their service or awards as provided by  
19 this section.

20 Special license plates shall not be transferred to any other  
21 person but shall be removed from the vehicle upon transfer of  
22 ownership and retained. The special license plate may then be used  
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1 on another vehicle but only after such other vehicle has been  
2 registered for the current year.

3       Special license plates shall be renewed each year by Service  
4 Oklahoma or a licensed operator. Service Oklahoma shall annually  
5 notify all persons issued special license plates. Service Oklahoma  
6 shall send the notifications to the electronic mail address provided  
7 by the person. If a person does not provide an electronic mail  
8 address, Service Oklahoma shall notify the person by mail. The  
9 notice shall contain all necessary information and shall contain  
10 instructions for the renewal procedure upon presentation to a  
11 licensed operator or Service Oklahoma. The license plates shall be  
12 issued on a staggered system except for legislative plates and  
13 amateur radio operator license plates.

14       On and after January 1, 2022, if a special license plate is  
15 issued pursuant to this section, any registration fee required for  
16 such plate pursuant to this section and the fee required pursuant to  
17 Section 1132 of this title shall be remitted at the same time and  
18 subject to a single registration period. Service Oklahoma shall  
19 determine, by rule, a method for making required fee and  
20 registration period adjustments if a special license plate is  
21 obtained during a twelve-month period for which a registration fee  
22 has already been remitted pursuant to Section 1132 of this title.  
23 The combination of fees in a single remittance shall not alter the  
24 apportionment otherwise provided for in this section.

1       Service Oklahoma is hereby directed to develop and implement a  
2 system whereby licensed operators are permitted to accept  
3 applications for special license plates authorized under this  
4 section. The licensed operator shall confirm the applicant's  
5 eligibility, if applicable, collect and deposit any amount  
6 specifically authorized by law, accept and process the necessary  
7 information directly into such system and generate a receipt  
8 accordingly. For performance of these duties, licensed operators  
9 shall retain the fee provided in Section 1141.1 of this title for  
10 registration of a motor vehicle. The licensed operator fees for  
11 acceptance of applications and renewals shall be paid out of the  
12 Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund. Beginning January 1,  
13 2023, the licensed operator fees for acceptance of applications and  
14 renewals shall be paid out of the Service Oklahoma Reimbursement  
15 Fund.

16       B. The special license plates provided by this section are as  
17 follows:

18       1. Prisoner of War License Plates - such plates shall be  
19 designed for honorably discharged or present members of the United  
20 States Armed Forces and civilians who were former prisoners of war  
21 held by a foreign country and who can provide proper certification  
22 of that status. Such persons may apply for a prisoner of war  
23 license plate for no more than two vehicles with each vehicle having  
24 a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less. The surviving

1 spouse of any deceased former prisoner of war, if the spouse has not  
2 since remarried, or if remarried, the remarriage is terminated by  
3 death, divorce, or annulment, may apply for a prisoner of war  
4 license plate for one vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one  
5 (1) ton or less. The fee provided by this section for the special  
6 license plate authorized by this paragraph shall be in addition to  
7 all other registration fees provided by law, except the registration  
8 fees levied by Section 1132 of this title;

9       2. National Guard License Plates - such plates shall be  
10 designed for active or retired members of the Oklahoma National  
11 Guard. Retirees who are eligible for such plates shall provide  
12 proof of eligibility upon initial application, but shall not be  
13 required to provide proof of eligibility annually;

14       3. Air National Guard License Plates - such plates shall be  
15 designed for active or retired members of the Oklahoma Air National  
16 Guard. Retirees who are eligible for such plates shall provide  
17 proof of eligibility upon initial application, but shall not be  
18 required to provide proof of eligibility annually;

19       4. United States Armed Forces License Plates - such plates  
20 shall be designed for active, retired, former or reserve members of  
21 the United States Armed Forces, and shall identify which branch of  
22 service, and carry the emblem and name of either the Army, Navy, Air  
23 Force, Marines or Coast Guard, according to the branch of service to  
24 which the member belongs or did belong. Former members who have

1 been dishonorably discharged shall not be eligible for such plates.  
2 Persons applying for such license plate must show proof of present  
3 or past military service by presenting a valid Uniformed Services  
4 Identity Card or the United States Department of Defense form DD  
5 214. Retired or former members who are eligible for such plates  
6 shall provide proof of eligibility upon initial application, but  
7 shall not be required to provide proof of eligibility annually;

8       5. Congressional Medal of Honor Recipient License Plates - such  
9 plates shall be designed for any resident of this state who has been  
10 awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor. Such persons may apply  
11 for a Congressional Medal of Honor recipient license plate for each  
12 vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less.

13 There shall be no registration fee for the issuance of this plate;

14       6. Missing In Action License Plates - such plates shall be  
15 designed to honor members of the United States Armed Forces who are  
16 missing in action. The spouse of such missing person, if the spouse  
17 has not since remarried, or if remarried, the remarriage is  
18 terminated by death, divorce, or annulment, and each parent of the  
19 missing person may apply for a missing in action license plate upon  
20 presenting proper certification that the person is missing in action  
21 and that the person making the application is the qualifying spouse  
22 or the parent of the missing person. The qualifying spouse and each  
23 parent of the missing person may each apply for the missing in

1 action license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity  
2 of one (1) ton or less;

3       7. Purple Heart Recipient License Plates - such plates shall be  
4 designed for any resident of this state presenting proper  
5 certification from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs  
6 or the Armed Forces of the United States certifying that such  
7 resident has been awarded the Purple Heart military decoration.

8 Such persons may apply for a Purple Heart recipient license plate  
9 for vehicles having a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or  
10 less. The surviving spouse of any deceased veteran who has been  
11 awarded the Purple Heart military decoration, if such spouse has not  
12 since remarried, or if remarried, the remarriage has been terminated  
13 by death, divorce or annulment, may apply for such plate for one  
14 vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less. The  
15 license plate created by this paragraph shall be exempt from the fee  
16 provided by this section for special license plates;

17       8. Pearl Harbor Survivor License Plates - such plates shall be  
18 designed for any resident of this state who can be verified by the  
19 United States Department of Veterans Affairs or the Armed Forces of  
20 the United States as being:

21           a. a member of the United States Armed Forces on December  
22              7, 1941,

23           b. stationed on December 7, 1941, during the hours of  
24              7:55 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Hawaii time at Pearl Harbor,

the island of Oahu, or offshore at a distance not to exceed three (3) miles, and

c. a recipient of an honorable discharge from the United States Armed Forces.

Such person may apply for a Pearl Harbor Survivor license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less;

9. Iwo Jima License Plates - such plates shall be designed for any resident of this state who can be verified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or the Armed Forces of the United States as being:

- a. a member of the United States Armed Forces in February of 1945,
- b. stationed in February of 1945 on or in the immediate vicinity of the island of Iwo Jima, and
- c. a recipient of an honorable discharge from the United States Armed Forces.

Such person may apply for an Iwo Jima license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less.

Such license plate shall have the legend "Oklahoma OK" and shall contain three letters and three numbers. Between the letters and numbers shall be a logo of the flag-raising at Iwo Jima. Below the letters, logo and numbers, the plate shall contain the words "FEB." at the left, "Iwo Jima" in the center and "1945" at the right. Such

1 plates shall not be subject to the design requirements of any other  
2 license plates prescribed by law other than the space for the  
3 placement of the yearly decals for each succeeding year of  
4 registration after the initial issue;

5       10. D-Day Survivor License Plates - such plates shall be  
6 designed for any resident of this state who can be verified by the  
7 United States Department of Veterans Affairs or the Armed Forces of  
8 the United States as being:

- 9           a. a member of the United States Armed Forces on June 6,  
10                   1944,
- 11           b. a participant in the Allied invasion of the coast of  
12                   Normandy on June 6, 1944; provided, if such  
13                   participation cannot be verified by the United States  
14                   Department of Veterans Affairs or the Armed Forces of  
15                   the United States, the Tax Commission may, in its  
16                   discretion, accept evidence of such participation from  
17                   the person applying for the license plate, and
- 18           c. a recipient of an honorable discharge from the United  
19                   States Armed Forces.

20       Such person may apply for a D-Day Survivor license plate for  
21 each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less;

22       11. Killed in Action License Plates - such plates shall be  
23 designed to honor members of the United States Armed Forces who were  
24 killed in action. The spouse of the deceased person, if the spouse

1 has not remarried, or if remarried, the remarriage is terminated by  
2 death, divorce, or annulment, may apply for a killed in action  
3 license plate upon presenting proper certification that the person  
4 was killed in action and that the person making the application is  
5 the qualifying spouse of the deceased person. The qualifying spouse  
6 may apply for a killed in action license plate for no more than two  
7 vehicles with each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1)  
8 ton or less. The fee provided by this section for the special  
9 license plate authorized by this paragraph shall be in addition to  
10 all other registration fees provided by law, except the registration  
11 fees levied by Section 1132 of this title. Beginning November 1,  
12 2021, the killed in action license plate shall be designed to honor  
13 members of the United States Armed Forces who were killed in action  
14 while engaged in combat with a hostile force. The parents,  
15 siblings, half-siblings, grandparents or spouse of the deceased  
16 person, if the spouse has not remarried, or if remarried, the  
17 remarriage is terminated by death, divorce or annulment, may apply  
18 for a killed in action license plate upon presenting proper  
19 certification that the person was killed in action and that the  
20 person making the application is the qualifying spouse or family  
21 member of the deceased person. The qualifying spouse or family  
22 member may apply for a killed in action license plate for no more  
23 than two vehicles with each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity  
24 of one (1) ton or less. The license plate shall have a white

1 background and the legend "Killed in Action" and shall contain any  
2 combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven in  
3 black, as for personalized license plates. To the left of the  
4 numbers and letters shall be the Battlefield Cross in gold. The  
5 killed in action license plate shall be exempt from any minimum  
6 issuance criteria related to license plate applications;

7       12. Gold Star Families License Plates - such plates shall be  
8 designed to honor members of the United States Armed Forces who were  
9 killed while on active duty. The parents, siblings, half-siblings  
10 or grandparents of the deceased person may apply for a gold star  
11 license plate upon presenting proper certification that the person  
12 was killed while on active duty and that the person making the  
13 application is the parent, sibling, half-sibling or grandparent of  
14 the deceased person. The family member may apply for a gold star  
15 families license plate for no more than two vehicles with each  
16 vehicle having a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less.  
17 The fee provided by this section for the special license plate  
18 authorized by this paragraph shall be in addition to all other  
19 registration fees provided by law, except the registration fees  
20 levied by Section 1132 of this title;

21       13. Military Decoration License Plates - such plates shall be  
22 designed for any resident of this state who has been awarded the  
23 Distinguished Service Medal, the Distinguished Service Cross, the  
24 Distinguished Flying Cross, the Bronze Star military decoration or

1 | the Silver Star military decoration. Such persons may apply for a  
2 | military decoration license plate for each vehicle with a rated  
3 | carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less;

4 |       14. Vietnam Veteran License Plates - such plates shall be  
5 | designed for honorably discharged or present members of the United  
6 | States Armed Forces who served in the Vietnam Conflict. Such  
7 | persons may apply for a Vietnam veteran license plate for each  
8 | vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less;

9 |       15. Police Officer License Plates - such plates shall be  
10 | designed for any currently employed, reserve or retired municipal  
11 | police officer or full-time, reserve or retired university police  
12 | officer certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and  
13 | Training or common education police officer certified by the Council  
14 | on Law Enforcement Education and Training. Police officers may  
15 | apply for police officer license plates for vehicles with a rated  
16 | capacity of one (1) ton or less or for a motorcycle upon proof of  
17 | employment by or retirement from a municipal, university or common  
18 | education police department by either an identification card or  
19 | letter from the chief of the police department or the Oklahoma  
20 | Police Pension and Retirement Board. Retirees who are eligible for  
21 | such plates shall provide proof of eligibility upon initial  
22 | application but shall not be required to provide proof of  
23 | eligibility annually. The license plates shall be designed in  
24 | consultation with municipal police departments of this state;

1 provided, the license plate for motorcycles may be of similar design  
2 to the license plate for motor vehicles or may be a new design in  
3 order to meet space requirements for a motorcycle license plate;

4       16. World War II Veteran License Plates - such plates shall be  
5 designed to honor honorably discharged former members of the United  
6 States Armed Forces who are residents of this state and who can be  
7 verified by the Military Department of the State of Oklahoma, the  
8 Department of Veterans Affairs or the Armed Forces of the United  
9 States as having served on federal active duty anytime during the  
10 period from September 16, 1940, to December 7, 1945. The former  
11 members may apply for a World War II Veteran license plate for  
12 vehicles with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less.

13       The license plate shall have the legend "Oklahoma" and shall  
14 contain, in the center of the plate, either the Thunderbird Insignia  
15 of the 45th Infantry Division in the prescribed red and gold  
16 coloring or the emblem of the Army, Navy, U.S. Army Air Corps,  
17 Marines or Coast Guard according to the branch of service to which  
18 the member belonged. For the purpose of license plate  
19 identification, the plate shall contain four digits, two digits at  
20 the left and two digits at the right of the insignia or emblem.  
21 Centered on the bottom of the license plate shall be the words  
22 "WORLD WAR II";

23       17. Korean War Veteran License Plates - such plates shall be  
24 designed to honor honorably discharged former members of the United

1 States Armed Forces who are residents of this state and who can be  
2 verified by the Military Department of the State of Oklahoma, the  
3 Department of Veterans Affairs or the Armed Forces of the United  
4 States as having served on federal active duty anytime during the  
5 period from June 27, 1950, to January 31, 1955, both dates  
6 inclusive. The former members may apply for a Korean War Veteran  
7 license plate for vehicles with a rated carrying capacity of one (1)  
8 ton or less.

9       The license plate shall have the legend "OKLAHOMA" and shall  
10 contain, in the center of the plate, either the Thunderbird Insignia  
11 of the 45th Infantry Division in the prescribed red and gold  
12 coloring or the emblem of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines or  
13 Coast Guard according to the branch of service to which the member  
14 belonged. For the purpose of license plate identification, the  
15 plate shall contain four digits, two digits at the left and two  
16 digits at the right of the insignia or emblem. Centered on the  
17 bottom of the license plate shall be the word "KOREA";

18       18. Municipal Official License Plates - such plates shall be  
19 designed for persons elected to a municipal office in this state and  
20 shall designate the name of the municipality and the district or  
21 ward in which the municipal official serves. The plates shall only  
22 be produced upon application;

23       19. Red Cross Volunteer License Plates - such plates shall be  
24 designed to honor American Red Cross volunteers and staff who are

1 residents of this state. Such persons must present an  
2 identification card issued by the American Red Cross and bearing a  
3 photograph of the person. The license plate shall be designed with  
4 the assistance of the American Red Cross and shall have the legend  
5 "Oklahoma OK!" in the color Pantone 186C Red. Below the legend the  
6 symbol of the American Red Cross and no more than three letters and  
7 three numbers shall be in the color Pantone 186C Red. Below the  
8 symbol and letters and numbers shall be the words "American Red  
9 Cross" in black. The plates shall not be subject to the design  
10 requirements of any other license plates prescribed by law other  
11 than the space for the placement of the yearly decals for each  
12 succeeding year of registration after the initial issue;

13       20. Desert Storm License Plates - such plates shall be designed  
14 and issued to any honorably discharged or present member of the  
15 United States Armed Forces who served in the Persian Gulf Crisis and  
16 the Desert Storm operation. Such persons may apply for a Desert  
17 Storm license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity  
18 of one (1) ton or less;

19       21. Military Reserve Unit License Plates - such plates shall be  
20 designed and issued to any honorably discharged or present member of  
21 a reserve unit of the United States Armed Forces. Such persons may  
22 apply for a Military Reserve Unit license plate for each vehicle  
23 with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less;

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1       22. Oklahoma City Bombing Victims and Survivors License Plates  
2 - such plates shall be designed and issued to any victim or survivor  
3 of the bombing attack on the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in  
4 downtown Oklahoma City on April 19, 1995;

5       23. Civil Air Patrol License Plates - such plates shall be  
6 designed and issued to any person who is a member of the Civil Air  
7 Patrol. Such persons may apply for a Civil Air Patrol license plate  
8 for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or  
9 less upon proof of membership in the Civil Air Patrol. The license  
10 plate shall be designed in consultation with the Civil Air Patrol;

11       24. Ninety-Nines License Plates - such plates shall be designed  
12 and issued to members of the Ninety-Nines. Persons applying for  
13 such license plate must show proof of membership in the Ninety-  
14 Nines. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with  
15 the Ninety-Nines;

16       25. Combat Infantryman Badge License Plates - such plates shall  
17 be designed to honor recipients of the Combat Infantryman Badge.  
18 The plate shall have the legend "Oklahoma OK". Below the legend  
19 shall be the Combat Infantryman Badge and three numbers. Below the  
20 badge and the numbers shall be the words "Combat Infantryman Badge".  
21 Such persons may apply for a Combat Infantryman Badge license plate  
22 for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or  
23 less;

1       26. Somalia Combat Veterans License Plates - such plates shall  
2 be designed and issued to any honorably discharged or present member  
3 of the United States Armed Forces who saw combat in the United  
4 Nations relief effort. Such persons may apply for a Somalia Combat  
5 Veteran license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying  
6 capacity of one (1) ton or less;

7       27. Police Chaplain License Plates - such plates shall be  
8 designed and issued to members of the International Conference of  
9 Police Chaplains (ICPC) who have completed the ICPC requirements for  
10 basic certification as a police chaplain. The license plates shall  
11 be designed in consultation with the ICPC;

12       28. Joint Service Commendation Medal License Plates - such  
13 plates shall be designed and issued to any resident of this state  
14 who has been awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal by the  
15 United States Secretary of Defense;

16       29. Merchant Marine License Plates - such plates shall be  
17 designed, subject to criteria to be presented to Service Oklahoma by  
18 the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs, and issued to any  
19 person who during combat was a member of the Merchant Marines as  
20 certified by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs. Such  
21 license plate may be issued for each vehicle with a rated carrying  
22 capacity of one (1) ton or less;

23       30. Legislative License Plates - such plates shall be designed  
24 for persons elected to the Oklahoma Legislature and shall designate

1 the house of the Legislature in which the legislator serves and the  
2 district number;

3       31. Disabled Veterans License Plates - such plates shall be  
4 designed for persons presenting proper certification from the United  
5 States Department of Veterans Affairs or the Armed Forces of the  
6 United States certifying such veteran has a service-connected  
7 disability rating of fifty percent (50%) or more, regardless which  
8 agency pays the disability benefits, or that such veteran has been  
9 awarded a vehicle by the United States government or receives a  
10 grant from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for the  
11 purchase of an automobile due to a service-connected disability  
12 rating or due to the loss of use of a limb or an eye. Such persons  
13 may apply to Service Oklahoma for a disabled veterans license plate  
14 or to a licensed operator for a regular license plate for no more  
15 than ~~two~~ four vehicles with each vehicle having a rated carrying  
16 capacity of one (1) ton or less. The surviving spouse of any  
17 deceased disabled veteran, if the spouse has not since remarried, or  
18 if remarried, the remarriage is terminated by death, divorce, or  
19 annulment, or a surviving spouse in receipt of Dependency and  
20 Indemnity Compensation from the United States Department of Veterans  
21 Affairs, may apply for a disabled veterans license plate for one  
22 vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less. The  
23 fee provided by this section for the special license plate  
24 authorized by this paragraph shall be in addition to all other

1 registration fees provided by law, except the registration fees  
2 levied by Section 1132 of this title. The total expense of this  
3 license plate shall not exceed Five Dollars (\$5.00).

4 If the person qualifies for a disabled veterans license plate  
5 and is also eligible for a physically disabled placard under the  
6 provisions of Section 15-112 of this title, the person shall be  
7 eligible to receive a disabled veterans license plate that also  
8 displays the international accessibility symbol, which is a stylized  
9 human figure in a wheelchair. Upon the death of the disabled  
10 veteran with a disabled veterans license plate with the  
11 international accessibility symbol, the plate shall be returned to  
12 Service Oklahoma;

13 32. United States Air Force Association License Plates - such  
14 plates shall be designed for members of the United States Air Force  
15 Association. Persons applying for such license plate must show  
16 proof of membership in the Association. The license plates shall be  
17 designed in consultation with the Association;

18 33. Oklahoma Military Academy Alumni License Plates - such  
19 plates shall be designed and issued to any resident of this state  
20 who is an alumnus of the Oklahoma Military Academy. Such persons  
21 may apply for an Oklahoma Military Academy Alumnus license plate for  
22 each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less.  
23 The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the

1 Oklahoma Military Academy and shall contain the shield of the  
2 Academy;

3       34. Amateur Radio Operator License Plates - such plates shall  
4 be designed and issued to any person, holding a valid operator's  
5 license, technician class or better, issued by the Federal  
6 Communications Commission, and who is also the owner of a motor  
7 vehicle currently registered in Oklahoma, in which has been  
8 installed amateur mobile transmitting and receiving equipment.

9 Eligible persons shall be entitled to two special vehicle  
10 identification plates as herein provided. Application for such  
11 identification plates shall be on a form prescribed by Service  
12 Oklahoma and the plates issued to such applicant shall have stamped  
13 thereon the word "Oklahoma" and bear the official call letters of  
14 the radio station assigned by the Federal Communications Commission  
15 to the individual amateur operator thereof. All applications for  
16 such plates must be made to Service Oklahoma on or before the first  
17 day of October of any year for such plates for the following  
18 calendar year and must be accompanied by the fee required in this  
19 section together with a certificate, or such other evidence as  
20 Service Oklahoma may require, of proof that applicant has a valid  
21 technician class or better amateur operator's license and proof of  
22 applicant's ownership of a vehicle in which radio receiving and  
23 transmitting equipment is installed. Applicants shall only be  
24 entitled to one set of special identification plates in any one (1)

1 year, and such calendar year shall be stamped thereon. The right to  
2 such special identification plates herein provided for shall  
3 continue until the amateur radio operator's license of the person to  
4 whom such plates are issued expires or is revoked;

5       35. American Legion License Plates - such plates shall be  
6 designed for members of the American Legion. Persons applying for  
7 such license plate must show proof of membership. The license  
8 plates shall be designed in consultation with the American Legion of  
9 Oklahoma;

10       36. Deputy Sheriff License Plates - such plates shall be  
11 designed for any currently employed or retired county sheriff or  
12 deputy sheriff. County sheriffs or deputy sheriffs may apply for  
13 such plates for vehicles with a rated capacity of one (1) ton or  
14 less upon proof of employment by or retirement from a county  
15 sheriff's office by either an identification card or letter from the  
16 county sheriff or a government-sponsored retirement board from which  
17 the county sheriff or deputy sheriff may be receiving a pension.  
18 Retirees who are eligible for such plates shall provide proof of  
19 eligibility upon initial application but shall not be required to  
20 provide proof of eligibility annually. The license plates shall be  
21 designed in consultation with the county sheriff offices of this  
22 state;

23       37. Gold Star Surviving Spouse License Plates - such plates  
24 shall be designed to honor the surviving spouses and children of

1 qualified veterans. As used in this paragraph, "qualified veteran"  
2 shall mean:

- 3           a. any person honorably discharged from any branch of the  
4                 United States Armed Forces or as a member of the  
5                 Oklahoma National Guard, who died as a direct result  
6                 of the performance of duties for any branch of the  
7                 United States Armed Forces or Oklahoma National Guard  
8                 while on active military duty, or  
9           b. any person honorably discharged from any branch of the  
10                 United States Armed Forces or as a member of the  
11                 Oklahoma National Guard, who died as a result of  
12                 injury, illness or disease caused by the performance  
13                 of such duties while on active duty, whether the death  
14                 occurred while on active duty or after the honorable  
15                 discharge of such person.

16             The fee provided by this section for the special license plate  
17         authorized by this paragraph shall be in addition to all other  
18         registration fees provided by law, except the registration fees  
19         levied by Section 1132 of this title;

20             38. Korea Defense Service Medal License Plates - such plates  
21         shall be designed and issued to any resident of this state who has  
22         been awarded the Korea Defense Service Medal by the United States  
23         Secretary of Defense. Such persons may apply for a Korea Defense

1 Service Medal license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying  
2 capacity of one (1) ton or less;

3       39. 180th Infantry License Plates - such plates shall be  
4 designed for members and prior members of the 180th Infantry.  
5 Persons applying for such license plate must obtain and provide  
6 proof of their membership from the 180th Infantry Association. The  
7 license plates shall be designed in consultation with the 180th  
8 Infantry;

9       40. Operation Iraqi Freedom Veteran License Plates - such  
10 plates shall be designed and issued to any honorably discharged or  
11 present member of the United States Armed Forces who served in  
12 Operation Iraqi Freedom. Such person may apply for an Operation  
13 Iraqi Freedom Veteran license plate for each vehicle with a rated  
14 carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less, or for a motorcycle;  
15 provided, the license plate for motorcycles may be of similar design  
16 to the license plate for motor vehicles or may be a new design in  
17 order to meet space requirements for a motorcycle license plate;

18       41. United States Air Force Academy Alumni License Plates -  
19 such plates shall be designed and issued to any resident of this  
20 state who is an alumnus of the United States Air Force Academy.  
21 Such persons may apply for a United States Air Force Academy Alumnus  
22 license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one  
23 (1) ton or less;

1       42. Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran License Plate - such  
2 plates shall be designed and issued to any honorably discharged or  
3 present member of the United States Armed Forces who served in  
4 Operation Enduring Freedom on or after September 11, 2001. The  
5 license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Military  
6 Department of the State of Oklahoma. Such person may apply for an  
7 Operation Enduring Freedom Veteran license plate for each vehicle  
8 with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less, or for a  
9 motorcycle; provided, the license plate for motorcycles may be of  
10 similar design to the license plate for motor vehicles or may be a  
11 new design in order to meet space requirements for a motorcycle  
12 license plate;

13       43. Military Multi-Decoration License Plate - such plates shall  
14 be designed and issued to any honorably discharged or present member  
15 of the United States Armed Forces who qualifies for more than one  
16 military decoration license plate pursuant to the provisions of this  
17 section. Service Oklahoma shall develop and implement a system  
18 whereby the designs of the eligible license plates can be included  
19 together on a single license plate. Such person may apply for a  
20 Military Multi-Decoration license plate for each vehicle with a  
21 rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less;

22       44. Global War on Terror Expeditionary License Plate - such  
23 plates shall be designed and issued to any honorably discharged or  
24 present member of the United States Armed Forces who has earned a

1 Global War on Terror Expeditionary decoration. The license plate  
2 shall be designed in consultation with the United States Institute  
3 of Heraldry and the Military Department of the State of Oklahoma.  
4 Such person may apply for a Global War on Terror Expeditionary  
5 license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one  
6 (1) ton or less;

7 45. Legion of Merit Medal Recipient License Plates - such  
8 plates shall be designed for any resident of this state presenting  
9 proper certification from the United States Department of Veterans  
10 Affairs or the Armed Forces of the United States certifying that  
11 such resident has been awarded the Legion of Merit military  
12 decoration. Such persons may apply for a Legion of Merit recipient  
13 license plate for vehicles having a rated carrying capacity of one  
14 (1) ton or less. The license plate shall be designed in  
15 consultation with the Military Department of the State of Oklahoma;

16 46. 1-179th License Plates - such plates shall be designed for  
17 members, prior members and members of the household of a member or  
18 former member of the 1-179th Infantry. Persons applying for such  
19 license plate must obtain and provide proof of their membership  
20 association with the 1-179th Infantry Association. The license  
21 plate shall be designed in consultation with the 1-179th Infantry;

22 47. 2-179th License Plates - such plates shall be designed for  
23 members, prior members and members of the household of a member or  
24 former member of the 2-179th Infantry. Persons applying for such

1 license plate must obtain and provide proof of their membership  
2 association with the 2-179th Infantry Association. The license  
3 plate shall be designed in consultation with the 2-179th Infantry;

4       48. Combat Action Ribbon Recipient License Plates - such plates  
5 shall be designed to honor recipients of the Combat Action Ribbon  
6 who present proper certification from the United States Department  
7 of the Navy. The license plate shall include the Combat Action  
8 Ribbon earned by the recipient. Such persons may apply for a Combat  
9 Action Ribbon Recipient license plate for vehicles having a rated  
10 carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less;

11       49. Oklahoma Submarine Veterans License Plate - such plates  
12 shall be designed for any resident of this state who is a United  
13 States submarine veteran and presents either a Department of Defense  
14 form 214 or other documentation certifying such service. Such  
15 persons may apply for an Oklahoma Submarine Veterans license plate  
16 for vehicles having a rated capacity of one (1) ton or less. The  
17 license plate design shall include both gold and silver dolphins to  
18 represent both officer and enlisted service members;

19       50. United States Navy Seabees and Civil Engineer Corps License  
20 Plate - such plates shall be designed and issued to any honorably  
21 discharged or present member of the United States Navy Seabees or  
22 Civil Engineer Corps. Such persons may apply for a United States  
23 Navy Seabees and Civil Engineer Corps license plate for vehicles  
24 having a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less. The

1 license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Military  
2 Department of the State of Oklahoma;

3       51. Combat Action Badge Recipient License Plate - such plates  
4 shall be designed to honor recipients of the Combat Action Badge who  
5 present proper certification from the United States Army. The  
6 license plate shall include the Combat Action Badge earned by the  
7 recipient. Such persons may apply for a Combat Action Badge  
8 Recipient license plate for vehicles having a rated carrying  
9 capacity of one (1) ton or less, or for a motorcycle; provided, the  
10 license plate for motorcycles may be of similar design to the  
11 license plate for motor vehicles or may be a new design in order to  
12 meet space requirements for a motorcycle license plate;

13       52. Iraq Combat Veteran License Plate - such plates shall be  
14 designed and issued to any honorably discharged or present member of  
15 the United States Armed Forces who saw combat in Operation Iraqi  
16 Freedom. Such persons may apply for an Iraq Combat Veteran license  
17 plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton  
18 or less, or for a motorcycle; provided, the license plate for  
19 motorcycles may be of similar design to the license plate for motor  
20 vehicles or may be a new design in order to meet space requirements  
21 for a motorcycle license plate;

22       53. Afghanistan Combat Veteran License Plate - such plates  
23 shall be designed and issued to any honorably discharged or present  
24 member of the United States Armed Forces who saw combat in Operation

1 Enduring Freedom. Such persons may apply for an Afghanistan Combat  
2 Veteran license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying  
3 capacity of one (1) ton or less, or for a motorcycle; provided, the  
4 license plate for motorcycles may be of similar design to the  
5 license plate for motor vehicles or may be a new design in order to  
6 meet space requirements for a motorcycle license plate;

7       54. Special Forces Association License Plates - such plates  
8 shall be designed and issued to any honorably discharged or present  
9 member of the Army Special Forces qualified and authorized to wear  
10 upon the person's United States military uniform the Army Special  
11 Forces Tab. Persons applying for the Special Forces Association  
12 license plate must provide a copy of the orders awarding the Special  
13 Forces Tab or authorizing its wear upon a United States military  
14 uniform. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with  
15 the Special Forces Association, Chapter 32-50. Service Oklahoma  
16 shall produce up to two distinct designs for the Special Forces  
17 Association license plate. Qualified persons may select one design  
18 at the time of application. The plates shall be issued to any  
19 qualified person in any combination of numbers and letters from one  
20 to a maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates;

21       55. Veterans of the United States Armed Forces License Plates -  
22 such plates shall be designed for veterans of the United States  
23 Armed Forces, and shall identify the branch of service, carry the  
24 emblem and name of either the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines or

1 Coast Guard, according to the branch of service to which the member  
2 belonged, and shall reflect veteran status. Former members who have  
3 been dishonorably discharged shall not be eligible for such plates.  
4 Persons applying for such license plates must show proof of past  
5 military service by presenting a valid United States Department of  
6 Defense Form (DD) 214 upon initial application but shall not be  
7 required to provide proof of eligibility annually;

8       56. Navy Chief License Plates - such plates shall be designed  
9 and issued to any resident of this state who has achieved the rank  
10 of E7 through E9 in the United States Navy and presents proper  
11 certification that the resident has achieved such rank and was  
12 either honorably discharged or is an active or retired member of the  
13 United States Navy. Such persons may apply for a Navy Chief license  
14 plate for vehicles having a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton  
15 or less, or for a motorcycle; provided, the license plate for  
16 motorcycles may be of similar design to the license plate for motor  
17 vehicles or may be a new design in order to meet space requirements  
18 for a motorcycle license plate;

19       57. Air Medal License Plate - such plates shall be designed and  
20 issued to any resident of this state who has earned the Air Medal  
21 and presents proper certification that the resident has been awarded  
22 such medal. The license plate shall include an image of the Air  
23 Medal earned by the recipient. Such persons may apply for an Air  
24 Medal license plate for vehicles having a rated carrying capacity of

1 one (1) ton or less, or for a motorcycle; provided, the license  
2 plate for motorcycles may be of similar design to the license plate  
3 for motor vehicles or may be a new design in order to meet space  
4 requirements for a motorcycle license plate;

5 58. a. U.S. Army Ranger License Plate - such plates shall be  
6 designed and issued to any resident of this state who  
7 is an active, retired, or honorably discharged member  
8 of a U.S. Army Ranger unit, or who is a graduate of  
9 the U.S. Army Ranger School. Persons applying for the  
10 U.S. Army Ranger License Plate shall provide military  
11 orders or official documentation proving the  
12 applicant's eligibility, including:

- 13 (1) military orders detailing a past or current  
14 assignment to a U.S. Army Ranger unit,
- 15 (2) military orders awarding the Ranger Tab  
16 authorized by the U.S. Army,
- 17 (3) certificate of release or discharge from active  
18 duty, DD Form 214, or report of separation and  
19 record of service, NGB form 22, indicating the  
20 awarding of the Ranger Tab, or
- 21 (4) diploma issued to the applicant from the U.S.  
22 Army Ranger School.

23 b. In addition to the documentation listed above, an  
24 active military member shall present a valid military

identification card or a document that shows sufficient proof that the applicant is an active member of the military. A retired or honorably discharged member of the military shall present:

(1) a certified copy of the member's release or discharge from active duty, DD Form 214, honorable discharge certificate, United States Department of Defense Form 256, or report of separation and record of service, NGB form 22, which has an honorable discharge characterization, or

(2) a valid form DD2 (retired) military identification card. Such persons may apply for a U.S. Army Ranger License Plate for vehicles having a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less, or for a motorcycle; provided, the license plate for motorcycles may be of similar design to the license plate for motor vehicles or may be a new design in order to meet space requirements for a motorcycle license plate. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Military Department of the State of Oklahoma;

1       59. 45th Infantry Brigade Combat Team License Plate - such  
2 plates shall be designed for members, former members, and members of  
3 the household of a member or former member of the 45th Infantry  
4 Brigade Combat Team. Persons applying for such license plate shall  
5 obtain and provide suitable proof of their membership association  
6 with the 45th Infantry Brigade Combat Team. Such persons may apply  
7 for a 45th Infantry Brigade Combat Team License Plate for vehicles  
8 having a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less, or for a  
9 motorcycle; provided, the license plate for motorcycles may be of  
10 similar design to the license plate for motor vehicles or may be a  
11 new design in order to meet space requirements for a motorcycle  
12 license plate. The license plate shall be designed in consultation  
13 with the Military Department of the State of Oklahoma; and

14       60. Meritorious Service Medal License Plate - such plates shall  
15 be designed and issued to any resident of this state who has earned  
16 the Meritorious Service Medal and presents proper certification that  
17 the resident has been awarded such medal. The license plate shall  
18 include an image of the Meritorious Service Medal earned by the  
19 recipient. Such persons may apply for a Meritorious Service Medal  
20 license plate for vehicles having a rated carrying capacity of one  
21 (1) ton or less, or for a motorcycle; provided, the license plate  
22 for motorcycles may be of similar design to the license plate for  
23 motor vehicles or may be a new design in order to meet space  
24 requirements for a motorcycle license plate.

1       C. Unless otherwise provided by this section, the fee for such  
2 plates shall be Eight Dollars (\$8.00) and shall be in addition to  
3 all other registration fees provided by the Oklahoma Vehicle License  
4 and Registration Act. Such fees shall be deposited in the Oklahoma  
5 Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund to be used for the administration  
6 of the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act. Beginning  
7 January 1, 2023, such fees shall be deposited in the Service  
8 Oklahoma Reimbursement Fund to be used for the administration of the  
9 Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act.

10      SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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