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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 504.320, Transportation
- 6 Code, as added by Chapter 708 (H.B. 1128), Acts of the 84th
- 7 Legislature, Regular Session, 2015, is amended to read as follows:
- 8 Sec. 504.320. RECIPIENTS OF CERTAIN COMBAT BADGES, MEDALS,
- 9 OR RIBBONS [ACTION BADGE, MEDAL, OR RIBBON RECIPIENTS].
- 10 SECTION 2. Section 504.320, Transportation Code, as added
- 11 by Chapter 708 (H.B. 1128), Acts of the 84th Legislature, Regular
- 12 Session, 2015, is amended by adding Subsection (c-1) and amending
- 13 Subsection (d) to read as follows:
- 14 (c-1) The department shall issue specialty license plates
- 15 for recipients of the Combat Medical Badge. License plates issued
- 16 under this subsection must include the Combat Medical Badge emblem
- 17 and must include the words "Combat Medical Badge" at the bottom of
- 18 <u>each plate.</u>

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- 19 (d) A specialty license plate issued under this section for
- 20 <u>a badge or ribbon that may be awarded more than once shall</u> [For
- 21 purposes of Subsections (a) and (c), if a branch of the United
- 22 States armed forces awards a Combat Action Badge or Ribbon with a
- 23 unique emblem for each award of the Combat Action Badge or Ribbon to
- 24 a recipient, the department shall only issue specialty license

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- 2 <u>badge or ribbon</u>.
- 3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.