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Introduction and first reading
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OFFICIAL STATUS

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to motor vehicles; authorizing additional veterans special motorcycle
- 1.3 plates; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 168.123, subdivision 1.
- 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 168.123, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- 1.6 Subdivision 1. **General requirements; fees.** (a) On payment of a fee in the amount
- 1.7 specified for special plates under section 168.12, subdivision 5, for each set of two plates,
- 1.8 or for a single plate in the case of a motorcycle plate, payment of the registration tax required
- 1.9 by law, and compliance with other applicable laws relating to vehicle registration and
- 1.10 licensing, as applicable, the commissioner shall issue:
- 1.11 (1) special veteran's plates to an applicant who served in the active military service in a
- 1.12 branch of the armed forces of the United States or of a nation or society allied with the
- 1.13 United States in conducting a foreign war, was discharged under honorable conditions, and
- 1.14 is a registered owner of a passenger automobile, recreational motor vehicle, or one-ton
- 1.15 pickup truck, but which is not a commercial motor vehicle as defined in section 169.011,
- 1.16 subdivision 16; or
- 1.17 (2) a veteran's special motorcycle plate as described in subdivision 2, ~~paragraph (a), (e),~~
- 1.18 ~~(f), (h), (i), (j), or (m)~~, or another special plate designed by the commissioner to an applicant
- 1.19 who is a registered owner of a motorcycle and meets the criteria listed in this paragraph and
- 1.20 in subdivision 2, ~~paragraph (a), (e), (f), (h), (i), (j), or (m)~~. Plates issued under this clause
- 1.21 must be the same size as regular motorcycle plates. Special motorcycle license plates issued
- 1.22 under this clause are not subject to section 168.1293.

(b) The additional fee is payable for each set of veteran's plates, is payable only when the plates are issued, and is not payable in a year in which stickers are issued instead of plates.

(c) The veteran must have a certified copy of the veteran's discharge papers, indicating character of discharge, at the time of application. If an applicant served in the active military service in a branch of the armed forces of a nation or society allied with the United States in conducting a foreign war and is unable to obtain a record of that service and discharge status, the commissioner of veterans affairs may certify the applicant as qualified for the veterans' plates provided under this section.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2023, for veterans special motorcycle plates described in Minnesota Statutes, section 168.123, subdivision 2, paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (g), (k), and (l), issued on or after that date.