

1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by adding
5 Sections 3-699.23 and 3-699.24 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-699.23 new)

7 Sec. 3-699.23. Defense Superior Service license plates.

8 (a) The Secretary, upon receipt of an application made in
9 the form prescribed by the Secretary, may issue special
10 registration plates designated as Defense Superior Service
11 license plates to recipients awarded the Defense Superior
12 Service Medal by a branch of the armed forces of the United
13 States who reside in this State. The special plates issued
14 pursuant to this Section shall be affixed only to passenger
15 vehicles of the first division, motorcycles, and motor
16 vehicles of the second division weighing not more than 8,000
17 pounds. The Secretary may allow the plates to be issued as
18 vanity or personalized plates in accordance with Section
19 3-405.1 of this Code. The Secretary shall make a version of the
20 special registration plates authorized under this Section in a
21 form appropriate for motorcycles.

22 (b) The plates shall display the Defense Superior Service
23 Medal. In all other respects, the design and color of the

1 plates shall be wholly within the discretion of the Secretary.
2 Appropriate documentation, as determined by the Secretary,
3 shall accompany each application. The Secretary may, in his or
4 her discretion, allow the plates to be issued as vanity plates
5 or personalized in accordance with Section 3-405.1 of this
6 Code. The plates are not required to designate "Land of
7 Lincoln", as prescribed in subsection (b) of Section 3-412 of
8 this Code. The Secretary shall prescribe the eligibility
9 requirements and, in his or her discretion, shall approve and
10 prescribe stickers or decals as provided under Section 3-412.
11 No registration fee, including the fees established under
12 Section 3-806 of this Code, shall be charged for the issuance
13 or renewal of any plates issued under this Section. However,
14 no individual shall be issued more than one pair of plates
15 under this Section for which no fee is required in accordance
16 with Section 3-806.2.

17 (625 ILCS 5/3-699.24 new)

18 Sec. 3-699.24. Defense Distinguished Service license
19 plates.

20 (a) The Secretary, upon receipt of an application made in
21 the form prescribed by the Secretary, may issue special
22 registration plates designated as Defense Distinguished
23 Service license plates to recipients awarded the Defense
24 Superior Service Medal by a branch of the armed forces of the
25 United States who reside in this State. The special plates

1 issued pursuant to this Section shall be affixed only to
2 passenger vehicles of the first division, motorcycles, and
3 motor vehicles of the second division weighing not more than
4 8,000 pounds. The Secretary may allow the plates to be issued
5 as vanity or personalized plates in accordance with Section
6 3-405.1 of this Code. The Secretary shall make a version of the
7 special registration plates authorized under this Section in a
8 form appropriate for motorcycles.

9 (b) The plates shall display the Defense Distinguished
10 Service Medal. In all other respects, the design and color of
11 the plates shall be wholly within the discretion of the
12 Secretary. Appropriate documentation, as determined by the
13 Secretary, shall accompany each application. The Secretary
14 may, in his or her discretion, allow the plates to be issued as
15 vanity plates or personalized in accordance with Section
16 3-405.1 of this Code. The plates are not required to designate
17 "Land of Lincoln", as prescribed in subsection (b) of Section
18 3-412 of this Code. The Secretary shall prescribe the
19 eligibility requirements and, in his or her discretion, shall
20 approve and prescribe stickers or decals as provided under
21 Section 3-412. No registration fee, including the fees
22 established under Section 3-806 of this Code, shall be charged
23 for the issuance or renewal of any plates issued under this
24 Section. However, no individual shall be issued more than one
25 pair of plates under this Section for which no fee is required
26 in accordance with Section 3-806.2.