

1 AN ACT concerning vehicles.

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 changing  
5 Sections 3-628, 3-642, and 3-806.3 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-628)

7 Sec. 3-628. Bronze Star plates.

8 (a) Beginning January 1, 1996, in addition to any other  
9 special license plate, the Secretary, upon receipt of all  
10 applicable fees and applications made in the form prescribed by  
11 the Secretary of State, may issue special registration plates  
12 to residents of Illinois who have been awarded the Bronze Star  
13 by the United States Armed Forces. The special plate issued  
14 under this Section shall be affixed only to passenger vehicles  
15 of the first division, motorcycles, or motor vehicles of the  
16 second division weighing not more than 8,000 pounds. Plates  
17 issued under this Section shall expire according to the  
18 staggered multi-year procedure established by Section 3-414.1  
19 of this Code.

20 (b) The design, color, and format of the plates shall be  
21 wholly within the discretion of the Secretary of State. The  
22 Secretary may, in his or her discretion, allow the plates to be  
23 issued as vanity plates or personalized in accordance with  
24 Section 3-405.1 of this Code. The plates are not required to  
25 designate "Land Of Lincoln", as prescribed in subsection (b) of  
26 Section 3-412 of this Code. The Secretary shall prescribe the  
27 eligibility requirements and, in his or her discretion, shall  
28 approve and prescribe stickers or decals as provided under  
29 Section 3-412.

30 (c) (Blank). ~~An applicant shall be charged a \$15 fee for~~  
31 ~~original issuance in addition to the appropriate registration~~  
32 ~~fee.~~

1 ~~This additional fee shall be deposited into the Secretary~~  
2 ~~of State Special License Plate Fund.~~

3 (Source: P.A. 92-545, eff. 6-12-02; 93-140, eff. 1-1-04.)

4 (625 ILCS 5/3-642)

5 Sec. 3-642. Silver Star plates.

6 (a) The Secretary, upon receipt of all applicable fees and  
7 applications made in the form prescribed by the Secretary, may  
8 issue special registration plates to residents of Illinois who  
9 have been awarded the Silver Star by the United States Armed  
10 Forces. The special plate issued under this Section shall be  
11 affixed only to passenger vehicles of the first division,  
12 motorcycles, or motor vehicles of the second division weighing  
13 not more than 8,000 pounds. Plates issued under this Section  
14 shall expire according to the staggered multi-year procedure  
15 established by Section 3-414.1 of this Code.

16 (b) The design, color, and format of the plates shall be  
17 wholly within the discretion of the Secretary. The Secretary  
18 may, in his or her discretion, allow the plates to be issued as  
19 vanity plates or personalized in accordance with Section  
20 3-405.1 of this Code. The plates are not required to designate  
21 "Land Of Lincoln", as prescribed in subsection (b) of Section  
22 3-412 of this Code. The Secretary shall prescribe the  
23 eligibility requirements and, in his or her discretion, shall  
24 approve and prescribe stickers or decals as provided under  
25 Section 3-412.

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31 (Source: P.A. 92-545, eff. 6-12-02; 93-140, eff. 1-1-04.)

32 (625 ILCS 5/3-806.3) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-806.3)

33 Sec. 3-806.3. Senior Citizens.

34 ~~Commencing with the 2001 registration year and extending~~

1 ~~through the 2003 registration year, the registration fee paid~~  
2 ~~by any vehicle owner who has claimed and received a grant under~~  
3 ~~the Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief~~  
4 ~~and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act or who is the spouse of such~~  
5 ~~a person shall be \$24 instead of the fee otherwise provided in~~  
6 ~~this Code for passenger cars displaying standard multi-year~~  
7 ~~registration plates issued under Section 3-414.1, motor~~  
8 ~~vehicles displaying special registration plates issued under~~  
9 ~~Section 3-616, motor vehicles registered at 8,000 pounds or~~  
10 ~~less under Section 3-815(a) and recreational vehicles~~  
11 ~~registered at 8,000 pounds or less under Section 3-815(b).~~  
12 ~~Widows and widowers of claimants shall also be entitled to this~~  
13 ~~reduced registration fee for the registration year in which the~~  
14 ~~claimant was eligible.~~

15 Commencing with the 2004 registration year and extending  
16 through the 2005 registration year, the registration fee paid  
17 by any vehicle owner who has claimed and received a grant under  
18 the Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief  
19 and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act or who is the spouse of such  
20 a person shall be \$24 instead of the fee otherwise provided in  
21 this Code for passenger cars displaying standard multi-year  
22 registration plates issued under Section 3-414.1, motor  
23 vehicles displaying special registration plates issued under  
24 Section 3-616, 3-621, 3-622, 3-623, 3-624, 3-625, 3-626, 3-628,  
25 3-638, 3-642, 3-645, 3-647, 3-650, or 3-651, motor vehicles  
26 registered at 8,000 pounds or less under Section 3-815(a), and  
27 recreational vehicles registered at 8,000 pounds or less under  
28 Section 3-815(b). Widows and widowers of claimants shall also  
29 be entitled to this reduced registration fee for the  
30 registration year in which the claimant was eligible.

31 Commencing with the 2006 registration year, the  
32 registration fee paid by any vehicle owner who has claimed and  
33 received a grant under the Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons  
34 Property Tax Relief and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act or who is  
35 the spouse of such a person shall be \$24 instead of the fee  
36 otherwise provided in this Code for passenger cars displaying

1 standard multi-year registration plates issued under Section  
2 3-414.1, motor vehicles displaying special registration plates  
3 issued under Section 3-607, 3-616, 3-621, 3-622, 3-623, 3-624,  
4 3-625, 3-626, 3-628, 3-638, 3-642, 3-645, 3-647, 3-650, or  
5 3-651, motor vehicles registered at 8,000 pounds or less under  
6 Section 3-815(a), and recreational vehicles registered at  
7 8,000 pounds or less under Section 3-815(b). Widows and  
8 widowers of claimants shall also be entitled to this reduced  
9 registration fee for the registration year in which the  
10 claimant was eligible.

11 No more than one reduced registration fee under this  
12 Section shall be allowed during any 12 month period based on  
13 the primary eligibility of any individual, whether such reduced  
14 registration fee is allowed to the individual or to the spouse,  
15 widow or widower of such individual. This Section does not  
16 apply to the fee paid in addition to the registration fee for  
17 motor vehicles displaying vanity or special license plates.

18 (Source: P.A. 91-37, eff. 7-1-99; 92-651, eff. 7-11-02; 92-699,  
19 eff. 1-1-03.)