

Chapter No.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

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#### Abstract

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Relating to motor vehicle license plates; and providing for an effective date. * Section 1. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

PURPOSE. It is the purpose of secs. 1-3 and 7-10 of this Act to establish commemorative license plates celebrating the 50th anniversary of Alaska's admission to the United States. * Sec. 2. AS 28.10.161(b) is amended to read: (b) Every passenger vehicle registration plate issued by the department after January 1, 2008, except as specifically provided in AS 28.10.181, shall have displayed upon it (1) a design and color commemorating the 50th anniversary of Alaska's statehood and admittance into the United States; in determining the design and color of the registration plate, the commissioner shall consult with the Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission [THE ALASKA FLAG;


(2) THE TRADITIONAL COLORS OF YELLOW-GOLD AND BLUE;
(3) THE SLOGAN "THE LAST FRONTIER"];
(2) $[(4)]$ the registration number assigned to the vehicle for which it is issued;
(3) $[(5)]$ the name of this state, which may be abbreviated; and
(4) $[(6)]$ the registration year number or expiration date for which time it is validated; the registration year number or expiration date may be part of the license plate or contained on a suitable sticker or tab device issued by the department; however, only one sticker or tab device may be issued for each pair of plates, and the sticker or tab device must be affixed to the rear plate.

* Sec. 3. AS 28.10.161(b) is repealed and reenacted to read:
(b) Every passenger vehicle registration plate, except as specifically provided in AS 28.10.181, shall have displayed upon it
(1) the Alaska flag;
(2) the traditional colors of yellow-gold and blue;
(3) the slogan "The Last Frontier";
(4) the registration number assigned to the vehicle for which it is issued;
(5) the name of this state, which may be abbreviated; and
(6) the registration year number or expiration date for which time it is validated; the registration year number or expiration date may be part of the license plate or contained on a suitable sticker or tab device issued by the department; however, only one sticker or tab device may be issued for each pair of plates, and the sticker or tab device must be affixed to the rear plate.
* Sec. 4. AS 28.10.181( $l$ ) is amended to read:
( $l$ ) Vehicles owned by Pearl Harbor survivors, [AND] former prisoners of war, Medal of Honor recipients, and relatives of members of the United States armed forces killed in the line of duty. The department, upon receipt of written proof, shall issue without charge special registration plates for one noncommercial motor vehicle to a person who was on active military duty in Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941,
[OR] who has been a prisoner of war during a declared war or other conflict, as determined by the Department of Defense under federal regulations, who is the recipient of the Medal of Honor awarded by the President of the United States in the name of the United States Congress, or the spouse, parent, guardian, brother, sister, or dependent of a member of the United States armed forces killed in the line of duty. The design and color of the Pearl Harbor survivor, [OR] prisoner of war, Medal of Honor awarded by the President of the United States in the name of the United States Congress recipient, or relative of a member of the United States armed forces killed in the line of duty plates shall be solely within the discretion of the commissioner.
* Sec. 5. AS 28.10.421(d)(2) is amended to read:
(2) special request plates for
(A) Alaska National Guard personnel ............................... \$30;
(B) veterans or retired veterans ........................................ \$30;
(C) recipients of the Purple Heart ......................... none [\$30];
(D) owners of custom collector vehicles .......................... \$50;
(E) other special request plates ........................................ \$30; plus the fee required for that vehicle under (b) of this section; the fee required by this paragraph shall be collected only on the first issuance and on the replacement of special request plates;
* Sec. 6. AS 28.10.421(d)(11) is amended to read:
(11) a vehicle owned by a Pearl Harbor survivor, [OR] a former prisoner of war, a recipient of the Medal of Honor awarded by the President of the United States in the name of the United States Congress, or the spouse, parent, guardian, brother, sister, or dependent of a member of the United States armed forces killed in the line of duty none;
* Sec. 7. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

TRANSITION. Notwithstanding AS 28.10.161(b), as amended by sec. 2 of this Act, the Department of Administration may continue to issue passenger vehicle registration plates as provided under AS 28.10.161(b) as it read immediately before the effective date of sec. 2
of this Act until the new registration plate required under AS 28.10.161(b), as amended by sec. 2 of this Act, is available and until the Department of Administration issues the remaining supply of passenger registration plates displaying the design and color required under AS 28.10.161(b) as it read immediately before the effective date of sec. 2 of this Act.

* Sec. 8. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

TRANSITION. Notwithstanding AS 28.10.161(b), as amended by sec. 3 of this Act, the Department of Administration may continue to issue passenger vehicle registration plates as provided under AS 28.10.161(b) as it read immediately before the effective date of sec. 3 of this Act until the new registration plate required under AS 28.10.161(b), as amended by sec. 3 of this Act, is available and until the Department of Administration issues the remaining supply of passenger registration plates displaying the design and color required under AS 28.10.161(b) as it read immediately before the effective date of sec. 3 of this Act.

* Sec. 9. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

INSTRUCTION TO REVISOR OF STATUTES AND INTENT OF THE LEGISLATURE. It is the intent of the legislature that by repealing and reenacting AS 28.10.161(b) in sec. 3 of this Act, the legislature does not intend to repeal intervening amendments to that section unless those amendments relate to the commemorative statehood anniversary license plate being repealed in that section. The revisor of statutes is instructed to give effect to intervening amendments unless those amendments relate to the commemorative statehood anniversary license plate.

* Sec. 10. Section 3 of this Act takes effect January 1, 2010.
* Sec. 11. Except as provided in sec. 10 of this Act, this Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

