

HOUSE BILL NO. 61

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: House Special Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, State Affairs, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to special motor vehicle registration plates for recipients of the Bronze**
2 **Star, Silver Star, or other meritorious service awards; and providing for an effective**
3 **date."**

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

5 *** Section 1.** AS 28.10.181 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 (ii) Vehicles owned by recipients of a Bronze Star, Silver Star, or other award
7 reflecting meritorious service and bravery issued by the armed forces of the United
8 States. The department, upon receipt of written proof that the person is the sole or joint
9 owner of a motor vehicle, shall issue special registration plates for the motor vehicle to
10 a requesting person who has received the Bronze Star Medal awarded for acts of
11 heroism, acts of merit, or meritorious service in a combat zone, the Silver Star Medal
12 awarded for gallantry in action against an enemy of the United States, or another
13 award reflecting meritorious service and bravery issued by the armed forces of the
14 United States. The commissioner, after consulting with the person in the Department

1 of Military and Veterans' Affairs in charge of veterans' affairs, shall determine the
2 design and color of the Bronze Star recipient plates, Silver Star recipient plates, and
3 other award recipient plates.

4 * **Sec. 2.** AS 28.10.421(d)(2) is amended to read:

5 (2) special request plates for

6 (A) Alaska National Guard personnel \$30;

7 (B) veterans, retired veterans, or Lao veterans \$30;

8 (C) recipients of the Purple Heart none;

9 (D) **recipients of the Bronze Star, Silver Star, or other**
10 **meritorious service award** **\$30;**

11 **(E)** owners of custom collector vehicles \$50;

12 **(F)** [(E)] Iditarod race finishers \$50;

13 **(G)** [(F)] other special request plates \$30;

14 plus the fee required for that vehicle under (b) of this section; the fee required by this
15 paragraph shall be collected only on the first issuance and on the replacement of
16 special request plates;

17 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect January 1, 2016.