

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: HB 1190

SHORT TITLE: Desert Storm Plates

SPONSOR(S): Rep. Wayne Sexton

FISCAL IMPACT					
	Yes (X)	No ()	No Estimate Available ()		
	<u>FY 1999-00</u>	<u>FY 2000-01</u>	<u>FY 2001-02</u>	<u>FY 2002-03</u>	<u>FY 2003-04</u>
REVENUES					
Highway Fund					
Special Reg. Plate					
Account	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
EXPENDITURES					
Special Reg. Plate					
Account	(\$856)				
PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Department of Transportation, Division of Motor Vehicles.					
EFFECTIVE DATE: When it becomes law.					

BILL SUMMARY: The legislation authorizes the Division of Motor Vehicles to issue Desert Storm Veteran special registration plates. The plate must be issued to a veteran of the armed forces who served in the Defense of Saudi Arabia from August 2, 1991 to January 16, 1991 or who served in the Liberation and Defense of Kuwait from January 17, 1991 to April 11, 1991. To qualify the veteran must still be in the service or have an honorable discharge. It instructs the Department to develop the plate only after 300 or more applications for the plate are received. Because it is a special plate a fee of \$10.00 (in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee) will be charged. This amount goes to the Special Registration Plate Account.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: In addition to the normal \$20.00 registration fee every owner of a private passenger vehicle pays, there is a \$10.00 fee for each specialized plate. Because there is no way to determine how many of the plates will be requested, this fiscal note assumes the issuance of the minimum 300 license plates in FY 1999-00. As a result, the bill raises a total of \$3,000 (\$10 X 300 plates).

According to the Division of Motor Vehicles and the Department of Corrections, there is a one-time cost of \$100 to design the new plate. There is also a production cost of \$2.52 per plate (This assumes a basic one color design. If the design is more complex, or requires more color, the per plate cost increases). The total production cost for 300 basic plates is \$856.00.

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