

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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**SENATE BILL 1373
Finance Committee Substitute Adopted 6/19/06**

Short Title: Eliminate Fee for Legion of Valor Plate.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

May 16, 2006

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE REGISTRATION PLATE FEE REQUIREMENT
2 FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO QUALIFY FOR THE LEGION OF VALOR SPECIAL
3 REGISTRATION PLATE AND TO ADD THE DUCKS UNLIMITED SPECIAL
4 PLATE TO THE LIST OF PLATES NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE A "FIRST IN
5 FLIGHT" BACKGROUND.
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7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-79.7(a) reads as rewritten:

9 "(a) Fees. – Upon request, the Division shall provide and issue free of charge one
10 registration plate to a recipient of ~~the Congressional Medal of Honor, a Legion of Valor~~
11 award, a 100% disabled veteran, and an ex-prisoner of war. All other special registration
12 plates, including additional ~~Congressional Medal of Honor, Legion of Valor, 100%~~
13 Disabled Veteran, and Ex-Prisoner of War plates, are subject to the regular motor
14 vehicle registration fee in G.S. 20-87 or G.S. 20-88 plus an additional fee in the
15 following amount:

<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>Additional Fee Amount</u>
16 Coastal Conservation Association	\$30.00
17 Crystal Coast	\$30.00
18 El Pueblo	\$30.00
19 First in Forestry	\$30.00
20 Historical Attraction	\$30.00
21 HOMES4NC	\$30.00
22 In God We Trust	\$30.00
23 North Carolina 4-H Development Fund	\$30.00
24 North Carolina Libraries	\$30.00
25 Personalized	\$30.00
26 Share the Road	\$30.00
27 State Attraction	\$30.00
28 Stock Car Racing Theme	\$30.00

1	Buffalo Soldiers	\$25.00
2	Collegiate Insignia	\$25.00
3	Goodness Grows	\$25.00
4	High School Insignia	\$25.00
5	Kids First	\$25.00
6	Olympic Games	\$25.00
7	National Multiple Sclerosis Society	\$25.00
8	National Wild Turkey Federation	\$25.00
9	NC Agribusiness	\$25.00
10	NC Coastal Federation	\$25.00
11	Nurses	\$25.00
12	(Effective until June 30, 2006) Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation	\$25.00
13	Special Olympics	\$25.00
14	Surveyor Plate	\$25.00
15	The V Foundation for Cancer Research Division	\$25.00
16	University Health Systems of Eastern Carolina	\$25.00
17	Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity	\$20.00
18	Animal Lovers	\$20.00
19	ARC of North Carolina	\$20.00
20	Audubon North Carolina	\$20.00
21	Autism Society of North Carolina	\$20.00
22	Be Active NC	\$20.00
23	Buddy Pelletier Surfing Foundation	\$20.00
24	Daughters of the American Revolution	\$20.00
25	Ducks Unlimited	\$20.00
26	Guilford Battleground Company	\$20.00
27	(Effective until June 30, 2006) Harley Owners' Group	\$20.00
28	Litter Prevention	\$20.00
29	March of Dimes	\$20.00
30	NC Trout Unlimited	\$20.00
31	NC Wildlife Habitat Foundation	\$20.00
32	Omega Psi Phi Fraternity	\$20.00
33	Save the Sea Turtles	\$20.00
34	Scenic Rivers	\$20.00
35	School Technology	\$20.00
36	SCUBA	\$20.00
37	Soil and Water Conservation	\$20.00
38	Special Forces Association	\$20.00
39	Support Public Schools	\$20.00
40	Wildlife Resources	\$20.00
41	Zeta Phi Beta Sorority	\$20.00
42	Shag Dancing	\$15.00
43	Active Member of the National Guard	None
44	100% Disabled Veteran	None

1	Ex-Prisoner of War	None
2	Legion of Valor	None
3	Purple Heart Recipient	None
4	Silver Star Recipient	None
5	All Other Special Plates	\$10.00."

6 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 20-63(b) reads as rewritten:

7 "(b) Every license plate shall have displayed upon it the registration number
8 assigned to the vehicle for which it is issued, the name of the State of North Carolina,
9 which may be abbreviated, and the year number for which it is issued or the date of
10 expiration. A plate issued for a commercial vehicle, as defined in G.S. 20-4.2(1), and
11 weighing 26,001 pounds or more, must bear the word "commercial," unless the plate is
12 a special registration plate authorized in G.S. 20-79.4 or the commercial vehicle is a
13 trailer or is licensed for 6,000 pounds or less. The plate issued for vehicles licensed for
14 7,000 pounds through 26,000 pounds must bear the word "weighted".

15 Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a registration plate issued by the
16 Division for a private passenger vehicle or for a private hauler vehicle licensed for
17 6,000 pounds or less shall be a "First in Flight" plate. A "First in Flight" plate shall have
18 the words "First in Flight" printed at the top of the plate above all other letters and
19 numerals. The background of the plate shall depict the Wright Brothers biplane flying
20 over Kitty Hawk Beach, with the plane flying slightly upward and to the right. The
21 following special registration plates do not have to be a "First in Flight" plate. The
22 design of the plates that are not "First in Flight" plates must be approved by the Division
23 and the State Highway Patrol for clarity and ease of identification.

- 24 (1) Friends of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.
- 25 (2) Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.
- 26 (3) Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation.
- 27 (4) Friends of the Appalachian Trail.
- 28 (5) NC Coastal Federation.
- 29 (6) In God We Trust.
- 30 (7) Stock Car Racing Theme.
- 31 (8) Buddy Pelletier Surfing Foundation.
- 32 (9) Guilford Battleground Company.
- 33 (10) National Wild Turkey Federation.
- 34 (11) North Carolina Aquarium Society.
- 35 (12) First in Forestry.
- 36 (13) North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation.
- 37 (14) NC Trout Unlimited.
- 38 (15) Ducks Unlimited."

39 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.