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SENATE BILL 668

49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2009

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS; INCREASING ELIGIBILITY
FOR DISABLED VETERAN REGISTRATION PLATES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 66-3-412 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1979,
Chapter 299, Section 2, as amended) is amended to read:

"66-3-412. SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES--~~[ONE HUNDRED
PERCENT]~~ DISABLED VETERANS--SUBMISSION OF PROOF--PENALTY.--

A. The department shall issue distinctive
registration plates for up to ~~[two]~~ three vehicles, including
motorcycles and recreational vehicles, to a person who is a
veteran of the armed forces of the United States, as defined in
Section ~~[28-13-7]~~ 9-22-3 NMSA 1978, and was ~~[one hundred
percent]~~ disabled while serving in the armed forces of the
United States, upon the submission by the person of proof

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1 satisfactory to the department that [~~he~~] the person was [~~one~~
2 ~~hundred percent~~] disabled while serving in the armed forces of
3 the United States. No fee, including the regular registration
4 fee applicable to the passenger motor vehicle, [~~or~~] regular
5 motorcycle or recreational vehicle registration fees, if any,
6 shall be collected for issuance of a special registration plate
7 pursuant to this section. A person eligible for a special
8 registration plate pursuant to this section and also eligible
9 for one or more special registration plates pursuant to
10 Sections 66-3-406, 66-3-409, 66-3-411 and 66-3-412.1 NMSA 1978
11 shall be issued only one special registration plate of [~~his~~]
12 the person's choice.

13 B. No person shall falsely [~~represent himself to~~
14 ~~have~~] make any representation as having been [~~one hundred~~
15 ~~percent~~] disabled while serving in the armed forces of the
16 United States so as to be eligible to be issued special
17 registration plates pursuant to this section when [~~he~~] the
18 person in fact was not [~~one hundred percent~~] disabled while
19 serving in the armed forces of the United States.

20 C. A person who violates the provisions of
21 Subsection B of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor."

22 Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
23 provisions of this act is July 1, 2009.