**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 56‑3‑9910, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF GOLD STAR FAMILY SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, SO AS TO ALLOW THE LICENSE PLATE APPLICANT TO CHOOSE THE LETTERS OR NUMBERS, OR BOTH THAT APPEAR ON THE LICENSE PLATE.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 56‑3‑9910(A) of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 79 of 2009, is further amended to read:

“(A)The Department of Motor Vehicles may issue ‘Gold Star Family’ special license plates to owners of private passenger motor vehicles, as defined in Section 56‑3‑630, registered in the names of members of the immediate family of United States armed forces killed in action. There is no fee for this special license plate. The license plates issued pursuant to this section must conform to a design agreed to by the department and the chief executive officer of the South Carolina Chapter of American Gold Star Mothers, Inc. or other similar organization operating in this State, and contain letters or numbers, or both, requested by the applicant.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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