**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTIONS 56‑3‑10610 AND 56‑3‑10710, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF “SILVER STAR” SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES AND “BRONZE STAR” SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, SO AS TO DEFINE THE TYPE OF MOTOR VEHICLES THAT MAY DISPLAY THESE LICENSE PLATES AND TO PROVIDE THAT MOTORCYCLES MAY DISPLAY THESE LICENSE PLATES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 56‑3‑10610(A) of the 1976 Code, as added by Act 297 of 2008, is amended to read:

“(A) The Department of Motor Vehicles may issue ‘Silver Star’ special license plates to owners of private passenger carrying motor vehicles, as defined in Section 56‑3‑630, or motorcycles as defined in Section 56‑3‑20, registered in their names who have been awarded the Silver Star. The motor vehicle owner must present the department with a DD214, or other official documentation that states that the owner received the Silver Star, along with the owner’s application for this special license plate. The fee for this special license plate is the regular motor vehicle license fee contained in Article 5, Chapter 3 of this title. The license plates issued pursuant to this section must contain the words ‘combat veteran’ and an illustration of the Silver Star.”

SECTION 2. Section 56‑3‑10710(A) of the 1976 Code, as added by Act 297 of 2008, is amended to read:

“(A) The Department of Motor Vehicles may issue ‘Bronze Star’ special license plates to owners of private passenger carrying motor vehicles, as defined in Section 56‑3‑630, or motorcycles as defined in Section 56‑3‑20, registered in their names who have been awarded the Bronze Star. The motor vehicle owner must present the department with a DD214, or other official documentation that states that the owner received the Bronze Star, along with the owner’s application for this special license plate. The fee for this special license plate is the regular motor vehicle license fee contained in Article 5, Chapter 3 of this title. The license plates issued pursuant to this section must contain the words ‘combat veteran’ and an illustration of the Bronze Star.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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