

CHAPTER 220

MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGULATION

SENATE BILL 19-205

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AN ACT

CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A LICENSE PLATE TO HONOR WOMEN VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-3-213, **amend** (1)(a)(XXVIII) and (1)(a)(XXIX); and **add** (1)(a)(XXX) and (31) as follows:

42-3-213. License plates - military veterans - rules - retirement. (1) (a) The department shall issue one or more sets of license plates to the following persons who own a truck that does not exceed sixteen thousand pounds empty weight, a passenger car, a motorcycle, or a noncommercial or recreational vehicle:

(XXVIII) An honorably discharged, retired, reserve, or active member of the 10th mountain division of the United States Army; ~~or~~

(XXIX) An honorably discharged, retired, reserve, or active member of a submarine crew of the United States Navy; OR

(XXX) AN HONORABLY DISCHARGED OR RETIRED WOMAN VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES.

(31) **Honorably discharged or retired woman veteran of the United States armed forces.** (a) THE UNITED STATES WOMAN VETERAN LICENSE PLATE MUST INDICATE THAT AN OWNER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE TO WHICH THE PLATE IS ATTACHED IS A WOMAN VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES.

Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of the act.

(b) A WOMAN WHO HAS RECEIVED AN HONORABLE DISCHARGE FROM, OR IS RETIRED FROM, THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IS AUTHORIZED TO USE A UNITED STATES WOMAN VETERAN LICENSE PLATE. WHEN APPLYING FOR THE LICENSE PLATE, AN APPLICANT MUST SUBMIT A DD214 FORM ISSUED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OR OTHER EVIDENCE SUFFICIENT TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE APPLICANT IS A WOMAN AND HAS AN HONORABLE DISCHARGE FROM, OR IS RETIRED FROM, THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES.

(c) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL BEGIN ISSUING THE UNITED STATES WOMAN VETERAN LICENSE PLATE ON THE EARLIER OF JANUARY 1, 2020, OR WHEN THE DEPARTMENT IS ABLE TO BEGIN ISSUING THE PLATE.

SECTION 2. Appropriation. (1) For the 2019-20 state fiscal year, \$14,771 is appropriated to the department of revenue for use by the division of motor vehicles. This appropriation consists of \$10,946 from the license plate cash fund created in section 42-3-301 (1)(b), C.R.S., and \$3,825 from the Colorado DRIVES vehicle services account in the highway users tax fund created in section 42-1-211 (2)(b)(I), C.R.S. To implement this act, the division may use this appropriation as follows:

(a) \$10,946 from the license plate cash fund, for license plate ordering; and

(b) \$3,825 from the Colorado DRIVES vehicle services account in the highway users tax fund for DRIVES maintenance and support.

SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3, 2019); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: May 20, 2019