

## CHAPTER 201

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**MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGULATION**

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**SENATE BILL 06-172**

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**AN ACT**

**CONCERNING AN EXEMPTION TO CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONS WHO ARE HONORED FOR SERVICE IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES.**

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

**SECTION 1.** 42-3-213 (1) (b) (II), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING NEW SUB-SUBPARAGRAPHS to read:

**42-3-213. Special plates - military veterans - rules - retirement.** (1) (b) (II) Notwithstanding subparagraph (I) of this paragraph (b):

(E) NO FEE SHALL BE CHARGED FOR ONE SET OF MILITARY VALOR SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES ISSUED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (10) OF THIS SECTION.

(F) NO FEE SHALL BE CHARGED FOR ONE SET OF SURVIVORS OF THE ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES ISSUED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS SECTION.

**SECTION 2.** 42-3-104 (6) and (8), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

**42-3-104. Exemptions - specific ownership tax - registration.** (6) One Class B or Class C motor vehicle weighing less than sixteen thousand pounds empty weight owned by a natural person who, while serving in the armed forces of the United States, was incarcerated by an enemy of the United States during armed conflict with the United States OR WHO SURVIVED THE ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

shall be exempt from the imposition of the annual specific ownership tax imposed by this article. Only one such Class B or Class C motor vehicle per former prisoner of war shall be exempted. A PERSON WHO SURVIVED THE ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM THE IMPOSITION OF SPECIFIC OWNERSHIP TAX UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (6) ONLY IF THE PERSON QUALIFIES FOR A SURVIVOR'S OF THE ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR LICENSE PLATE ISSUED PURSUANT TO SECTION 42-3-213 (6).

(8) Either one Class B or one Class C motor vehicle weighing less than sixteen thousand pounds empty weight owned by a natural person who received a purple heart OR MEDAL OF VALOR and who is authorized to use the ~~special license plate for purple heart recipients~~ OR MILITARY VALOR SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE pursuant to section ~~42-3-115.5~~ 42-3-213 shall be exempt from the imposition of the annual specific ownership tax imposed by this article. Only one such Class B or Class C motor vehicle per purple heart OR MEDAL OF VALOR recipient shall be exempted.

**SECTION 3.** 42-3-301 (2) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

**42-3-301. License plate cash fund - license plate fees.**

(2) (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, with the exception of special license plates issued pursuant to section 42-3-213 for purple heart recipients, MEDAL OF VALOR RECIPIENTS, former prisoners of war, SURVIVORS OF THE ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR, disabled veterans, or recipients of a medal of honor, the fees imposed by this subsection (2) shall apply to all other special license plates issued in accordance with this article.

**SECTION 4.** 42-3-304 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING NEW PARAGRAPHS to read:

**42-3-304. Registration fees - passenger and passenger-mile taxes - clean screen fund - repeal.** (3) No fee shall be payable for the annual registration of a vehicle when:

(g) THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE IS A RECIPIENT OF A MEDAL OF VALOR AND IS ISSUED SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES PURSUANT TO SECTION 42-3-213 (10).

(h) THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE SURVIVED THE ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR AND IS ISSUED SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES PURSUANT TO SECTION 42-3-213 (6).

**SECTION 5. Effective date.** (1) This act shall take effect January 1, 2007.

(2) However, if a referendum petition is filed against this act or an item, section, or part of this act during the 90-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly that is allowed for submitting a referendum petition pursuant to article V, section 1 (3) of the state constitution, then the act, item, section, or part, shall not take effect unless approved by the people at a biennial regular general election and shall take effect on the date specified in subsection (1) or on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by proclamation of the governor, whichever is later.

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