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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, a disabled veteran
9 whose physical disability exceeds 50 percent or
10 whose physical disability requires his or her motor
11 vehicle to be equipped with special mechanical
12 control devices, upon proper application, may
13 receive a disabled veteran distinctive motor
14 vehicle tag for a fee of five dollars.

15 This bill would provide that a veteran who
16 has been determined by the Veteran's Administration
17 to be 100 percent permanently and totally disabled
18 based on a service-connected disability and who
19 applies for the disabled veteran distinctive motor
20 vehicle tag would be exempt from all license fees
21 and ad valorem taxes on the motor vehicle.

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23 A BILL
24 TO BE ENTITLED
25 AN ACT
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1 To amend Section 32-6-130, Code of Alabama 1975, to
2 provide that a veteran who is determined by the Veteran's
3 Administration to be 100 percent permanently and totally
4 disabled based on a service-connected disability may receive
5 the disabled veteran distinctive motor vehicle tag at no cost
6 for license fees and ad valorem taxes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

8 Section 1. Section 32-6-130, Code of Alabama 1975,
9 is amended to read as follows:

10 "§32-6-130.

11 "(a) Any veteran, as defined in Section 31-5-1, who
12 is a resident of this state and who is suffering a physical
13 disability which requires that any motor vehicle he or she
14 operates be equipped with special mechanical control devices
15 or whose physical disability exceeds 50 percent, upon
16 application accompanied by proof of eligibility to the judge
17 of probate or other license issuing official of the county for
18 the special license plates provided herein, as may be
19 prescribed by the State Department of Revenue, and upon
20 payment of five dollars (\$5), unless exempted from the payment
21 of such fee by law, shall be issued license plates, by the
22 judge of probate or other license issuing official as provided
23 by law, for private or pleasure motor vehicles, upon which, in
24 lieu of the number now prescribed by law shall be inscribed in
25 legible letters the words, "Disabled Veteran," and shall
26 designate the branch of service and an identifying number as
27 prescribed by the State Department of Revenue. The plates

1 shall not be transferable. The fee established by this ~~section~~
2 subsection shall be in lieu of the regular license fee now
3 required for motor vehicles and shall be used to defray the
4 cost of issuing the distinctive license plates.

5 "(b) In addition to any other benefits provided by
6 law, any veteran, as defined in Section 31-5-1, who is a
7 resident of this state, who has been determined by the
8 Veteran's Administration to be 100 percent permanently and
9 totally disabled based on a service-connected disability, and
10 who applies for a disabled veterans motor vehicle license
11 plate, upon proof of eligibility to the judge of probate or
12 other license issuing official, shall be exempt from all
13 license fees and ad valorem taxes for a distinctive disabled
14 veteran license plate on one motor vehicle."

15 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
16 first day of the third month following its passage and
17 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.