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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, a disabled veteran may
9 receive a distinctive disabled veteran license tag
10 for his or her motor vehicle upon application
11 accompanied by proof of eligibility to the official
12 in the county responsible for issuing license tags.

13 This bill would provide for a distinctive
14 disabled veteran license tag for motorcycles.

15 This bill would provide that a disabled
16 veteran could receive a distinctive disabled
17 veteran license tag for a motorcycle upon
18 application accompanied by proof of eligibility to
19 the official in the county responsible for issuing
20 license tags.

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22 A BILL

23 TO BE ENTITLED

24 AN ACT

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26 Relating to distinctive license tags for disabled
27 veterans; to amend Sections 32-6-130, 32-6-131, and 32-6-133,

1 Code of Alabama 1975, to provide for a distinctive disabled
2 veteran license tag for motorcycles.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

4 Section 1. Sections 32-6-130, 32-6-131, and
5 32-6-133, Code of Alabama 1975, are amended to read as
6 follows:

7 "§32-6-130.

8 "Any veteran, as defined in Section 31-5-1, who is a
9 resident of this state and who is suffering a physical
10 disability which requires that any motor vehicle he or she
11 operates be equipped with special mechanical control devices
12 or whose physical disability exceeds 50 percent, upon
13 application accompanied by proof of eligibility to the judge
14 of probate of the county for the special license plates
15 provided herein, as may be prescribed by the State Department
16 of Revenue, and upon payment of five dollars (\$5), unless
17 exempted from the payment of such fee by law, shall be issued
18 license plates, by the judge of probate as provided by law,
19 for private or pleasure motor vehicles or motorcycles, upon
20 which, in lieu of the number now prescribed by law shall be
21 inscribed in legible letters the words, "Disabled Veteran,"
22 and shall designate the branch of service and an identifying
23 number as prescribed by the State Department of Revenue. The
24 plates shall not be transferable. The fee established by this
25 section shall be in lieu of the regular license fee now
26 required for motor vehicles and motorcycles and shall be used
27 to defray the cost of issuing the distinctive license plates.

1 "§32-6-131.

2 "The Commissioner of Revenue shall make such
3 reasonable rules and regulations as may be necessary to
4 administer the provisions of this division, including rules
5 and regulations necessary to insure compliance with all state
6 license laws relating to the use and operation of a private or
7 pleasure motor vehicle or motorcycle and to provide for the
8 application for and issuance of such special tags. Whoever
9 wrongfully obtains or secures the issuance of a motor vehicle
10 or motorcycle license tag or plate under this division, or
11 whoever affixes such a tag or plate to a motor vehicle or
12 motorcycle other than the one for which it was issued is
13 guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished as prescribed by
14 Section 15-18-3. Whoever willfully uses a motor vehicle
15 equipped with such a tag or plate for any unlawful or
16 deceptive purpose is guilty of a felony and shall be
17 imprisoned for not less than two years.

18 "§32-6-133.

19 "The design of motor vehicle tags and motorcycle
20 tags for disabled veterans shall be as follows:

21 "The Department of Revenue shall design, or have
22 designed, the "Disabled Veteran" license plate in compliance
23 with all laws and regulations. The plate design shall contain
24 the language "Heart of Dixie."

25 "Any additional regulations or design specifications
26 needed to implement the provisions of this section shall be
27 prescribed by the Commissioner of Revenue."

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