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**STATE OF MAINE
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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 545, L.D. 1315, “An Act to Authorize the Display of an Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal Decal on a Special Veterans Commemorative License Plate”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act to Authorize the Display of an Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal Decal on a Special Veterans License Plate and Authorize Certain Other Service Members to Receive Special Commemorative Decals'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §523, sub-§5, as amended by PL 2017, c. 8, §1, is further amended to read:

5. Special commemorative decals for medals, badges or ribbons awarded. The Secretary of State may issue special commemorative decals for use with special veterans registration plates to any person who served in the uniformed services of the United States Armed Forces, was honorably discharged and was awarded a medal, badge or ribbon described in paragraphs A to ~~BB~~ CC when that person's application is accompanied by the appropriate military certification verifying that the medal, badge or ribbon was awarded to the applicant. One set of commemorative decals may be issued for each set of special veterans registration plates issued under this section. One set of 2 commemorative decals must be displayed on the front and back plates. The fee for a set of commemorative decals may not exceed \$5.

Special commemorative decals may be issued to applicants awarded the following medals, badges or ribbons:

- A. Distinguished Service Cross;
- B. Navy Cross;
- C. Air Force Cross;

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- 1 D. Silver Star;
- 2 E. Distinguished Flying Cross;
- 3 F. Bronze Star;
- 4 G. Soldier's Medal;
- 5 H. Navy or Marine Corps Medal;
- 6 I. Airman's Medal;
- 7 J. Coast Guard Medal;
- 8 K. Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal;
- 9 L. European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal;
- 10 M. Korean Service Medal;
- 11 N. Vietnam Service Medal;
- 12 O. Southwest Asia Service Medal;
- 13 P. Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal;
- 14 Q. Kosovo Service Medal;
- 15 R. Korea Defense Service Medal;
- 16 S. Global War on Terrorism Medal;
- 17 T. Iraq Campaign Medal;
- 18 U. Afghanistan Campaign Medal;
- 19 V. United States Army Combat Infantry Badge;
- 20 W. United States Army Combat Medic Badge;
- 21 X. United States Army Combat Action Badge;
- 22 Y. United States Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard Combat Action Ribbon;
- 23 Z. United States Air Force Combat Action Medal;
- 24 AA. National Emergency Service Medal; ~~and~~
- 25 BB. Air Medal; ~~and~~
- 26 CC. Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal.

27 **Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §523, sub-§6**, as enacted by PL 2001, c. 453, §2 and affected
28 by §4, is amended to read:

29 **6. Special commemorative decals for branches of armed forces.** The Secretary of
30 State may issue special commemorative decals for use with special veterans registration
31 plates to any person who served in the uniformed services of the United States Armed
32 ~~Forces~~ and was honorably discharged when that person's application is accompanied by the
33 appropriate military certification verifying the applicant's service. One set of
34 commemorative decals may be issued for each set of special veterans registration plates
35 issued under this section. One set of 2 commemorative decals must be displayed on the
36 front and back plate. The fee for a set of commemorative decals may not exceed \$5.

Special commemorative decals may be issued to applicants who served in the:

- A. United States Army;
- B. United States Air Force;
- C. United States Navy;
- D. United States Marine Corps; ~~or~~
- E. United States Coast Guard;
- F. United States Space Force;
- G. United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; and
- H. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps.

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**SECRETARY OF STATE, DEPARTMENT OF
Administration - Motor Vehicles 0077**

Initiative: Provides funding for medal decals and related costs.

HIGHWAY FUND	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$1,190	\$933
HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	\$1,190	\$933

Administration - Motor Vehicles 0077

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for computer programming.

HIGHWAY FUND	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$7,056	\$0
HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	\$7,056	\$0

**SECRETARY OF STATE, DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2025-26	2026-27
HIGHWAY FUND	\$8,246	\$933
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$8,246	\$933

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment adds service in the United States Space Force, the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps to the list of license plate applicants who may

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1 receive special commemorative decals. The amendment also adds an appropriations and
2 allocations section.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)