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An Act Regarding Multiple Special Designating Plates for Certain Disabled Veterans

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

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DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Senators: CURRY of Waldo, KEIM of Oxford, NANGLE of Cumberland, TIPPING of Penobscot, Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, O'CONNELL of Brewer, WHITE of Waterville.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §523, sub-§2**, as amended by PL 2017, c. 43, §1, is further
3 amended to read:

4 **2. Disabled veterans; special free license plates.** The Secretary of State, on
5 application and upon evidence of payment of the excise tax required by Title 36, section
6 1482 or upon evidence of exemption from excise tax under Title 36, section 1483,
7 subsection 12, shall issue, with no annual registration fee, a registration certificate and ~~set~~
8 ~~of~~ upon request special designating plates to be used in lieu of regular registration plates
9 for a vehicle with a registered gross weight of not more than 26,000 pounds to any 100%
10 disabled veteran when that application is accompanied by certification from the United
11 States ~~Department of Veterans Administration Affairs~~ or any branch of the United States
12 Armed Forces as to the veteran's permanent disability and receipt of 100% service-
13 connected benefits. ~~A~~ Upon request a disability placard is may be issued in addition to the
14 ~~disabled veteran registration plate~~ at no fee. The Secretary of State may issue a registration
15 certificate and special designating plates for more than one vehicle owned by a veteran
16 eligible under this subsection.

17 These special designating plates must bear the words "Disabled Veteran," which indicate
18 that the vehicle is owned by a disabled veteran.

19 **SUMMARY**

20 This bill clarifies that the Secretary of State may issue a registration certificate and
21 special designating plates for more than one vehicle owned by certain disabled veterans.