## **HOUSE BILL No. 4202**

January 30, 1997, Introduced by Reps. Baade, Bogardus, DeHart, Anthony, Geiger, McBryde, Goschka, Hammerstrom, Horton, Cherry, Schauer, Prusi, Hanley and Galloway and referred to the Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending section 803i (MCL 257.803i), as amended by 1994 PA 104.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 803i. (1) A person who was or is a member of the
- 2 national guard may apply to the secretary of state for a special
- 3 registration plate, which shall display an appropriate vignette
- 4 preceding the registration numbers and shall have the words
- 5 "national guard" inscribed beneath the registration numbers.
- **6** (2) A person who was or is a member of the military reserve
- 7 may apply to the secretary of state for a special registration
- 8 plate, which shall display an appropriate vignette preceding the
- 9 registration numbers.

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- 1 (3) A PERSON WHO WAS A MEMBER OF ANY BRANCH OF THE ARMED
- 2 SERVICES OF THE UNITED STATES, WHO HAS RETIRED OR BEEN GRANTED AN
- 3 HONORABLE DISCHARGE FROM THAT BRANCH OF THE ARMED FORCES, AND WHO
- 4 IS NOT OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE UNDER
- 5 THIS ACT MAY APPLY TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR A SPECIAL REGIS-
- 6 TRATION PLATE WHICH SHALL DISPLAY AN APPROPRIATE VIGNETTE PRECED-
- 7 ING THE REGISTRATION NUMBERS.
- 8 (4)  $\overline{(3)}$  Application for a special registration plate shall
- 9 be on a form prescribed by the secretary of state and shall
- 10 be accompanied by any proof of the applicant being or having been
- 11 a MEMBER OF THE national guard or military reserve member which
- 12 OR A MEMBER OF ANY BRANCH OF THE ARMED SERVICES OF THE UNITED
- 13 STATES AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3) THAT the secretary of state
- 14 may require. The application for a special registration plate
- 15 shall also be accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service fee.
- 16 (5) -(4) Upon proper application and payment of the \$5.00
- 17 service fee, the secretary of state shall issue 1 or more special
- 18 registration plates for each applicant for use on a passenger
- 19 vehicle. A person who is handicapped who applies for a special
- 20 registration plate under this section and who pays the \$5.00
- 21 service fee shall be issued a handicapper tab as provided in
- 22 section 803f for his or her special registration plate. The sec-
- 23 retary of state shall require the same proof that the applicant
- 24 is a handicapper as is required for issuance of a permanent wind-
- 25 shield placard under section 675. A person issued 1 or more spe-
- 26 cial registration plates under subsection (1), or (2), OR (3)
- 27 shall be assessed the applicable tax provided in section 801.

- 1 (6)  $\overline{(5)}$  The use of a special registration plate on a
- 2 vehicle other than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or
- 3 by a person who does not qualify under this section, is a
- 4 misdemeanor.
- 5 (7) The special registration plate issued under this
- 6 section shall expire on the birthday of the vehicle owner. When
- 7 new plates are issued by the secretary of state, application for
- 8 renewal of the special registration plate shall be accompanied by
- 9 a \$5.00 service fee. The applicant shall not be required to fur-
- 10 nish the proof provided in subsection -(3) (4).