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To: Finance

## SENATE BILL NO. 2769

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A DISTINCTIVE MOTOR  
2 VEHICLE LICENSE PLATE TO RECIPIENTS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL AND  
3 THE COMBAT INFANTRY BADGE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

5 SECTION 1. In recognition of the patriotic service rendered  
6 by Mississippians who are recipients of the Combat Infantry Badge  
7 and Bronze Star Medal, any such person is privileged to obtain one  
8 (1) distinctive motor vehicle license plate or tag identifying him  
9 as a Combat Infantry Badge and Bronze Star Medal recipient. The  
10 distinctive plates or tags shall be of a color and design  
11 designated by the State Tax Commission.

12 The distinctive license plates shall be prepared by the State  
13 Tax Commission and shall be issued through the tax collectors of  
14 the counties in the same manner as are other motor vehicle license  
15 plates or tags. An additional tag fee of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00)  
16 shall be collected by the tax collector for such license plates or  
17 tags and shall be forwarded to the State Tax Commission which  
18 shall deposit such fee to the credit of the State General Fund.  
19 An applicant for such distinctive plates shall present to the  
20 issuing official written proof that the applicant is a Combat  
21 Infantry Badge and Bronze Star Medal recipient. The distinctive  
22 license plates or tags so issued shall be used only upon a  
23 personally or jointly owned private passenger vehicle (to include  
24 station wagons, recreational motor vehicles and pickup trucks)  
25 registered in the name, or jointly in the name, of the person  
26 making application therefor, and when issued to such person shall

27 be used upon the vehicle for which issued in lieu of the standard  
28 license plate or license tag normally issued for such vehicle.

29       The distinctive license plates shall not be transferable  
30 between motor vehicle owners; and in the event the owner of a  
31 vehicle bearing a distinctive plate shall sell, trade, exchange or  
32 otherwise dispose of the vehicle, such plate shall be retained by  
33 such owner and returned to the tax collector.

34       SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
35 and after July 1, 2000.