



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 825

SENATE BILL NO. 1752

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Substituted for: House Bill No. 1799

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, relative to the issuance of Combat Action new specialty earmarked license plates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is amended by deleting subdivisions (I) through (K) in their entirety and adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Combat Action;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-303, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a distinctive Combat Action new specialty earmarked license plate, in accordance with eligibility requirements of subsection (d), for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The Combat Action new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall be designed in consultation with representatives from Centerstone Military Services and SAFE: Soldiers and Families Embraced.

(c) Each recipient of the Combat Action new specialty earmarked license plate issued pursuant to this section shall also be issued a distinctive decal. The design of the decal shall be subject to the approval of the commissioner of veterans services, and the placement of the decal on the plate shall be subject to guidelines provided by the commissioner of revenue. The decal shall be representative of and available in the following design options:

- (1) Combat Action Badge;
- (2) Combat Action Medal;
- (3) Combat Action Ribbon, Coast Guard;
- (4) Combat Action Ribbon, Navy and Marine Corps;
- (5) Combat Infantry Badge; and
- (6) Combat Medical Badge.

(d) Eligibility for a Combat Action plate and a decal design described in subsection (c) shall be determined by the department of revenue by consulting the appropriate information on the DD214 form, or in a case of military service predating the year 1950, in consultation with appropriate information on the equivalent form or on other official documentation, or a written communication from the department of veterans services, the form, documentation, or

communication certifying that the application for the plate and decal is submitted by a recipient of an award identified in subdivisions (c)(1)-(6), as appropriate.

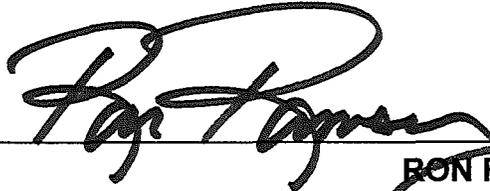
(e) The funds produced from the sale of Combat Action new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated equally to Centerstone Military Services and SAFE: Soldiers and Families Embraced, in accordance with § 55-4-215. The funds shall be used exclusively in this state to provide resources and support to veterans, service members, and their families.

(f) The department of revenue shall charge a fee for issuance of a decal described in subsection (c) in an amount sufficient to defray the administrative costs of issuing such decal.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 6, 2016



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 21st day of April 2016



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR