

Veterans' and Military Affairs Committee

JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: HB-6734

AN ACT REDUCING FOR VETERANS AND MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES THE FEE FOR CERTAIN SPECIALTY MOTOR VEHICLE NUMBER

Title: PLATES TO NOT MORE THAN THE COST TO MAKE SUCH PLATES.

Vote Date: 3/11/2025

Vote Action: Joint Favorable

PH Date: 2/13/2025

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

Rep. Jaime Foster, 57th Dist.

Rep. Rebecca Martinez, 22nd Dist.

Rep. Nick Gauthier, 38th Dist.

Rep. Kevin Ryan, 139th Dist.

REASONS FOR BILL:

This bill would ensure that the Department of Motor Vehicles would charge a veteran seeking a specialty veteran license plate no more than the production cost to make that plate. A perennial issue among veterans is the high cost for a veterans' license plate; many of them believe that they should not have to pay additional fees to commemorate their service through a specialty license plate. This bill seeks to address that concern and reduce the cost of those license plates.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

None expressed.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

Jon Coss: Mr. Coss expressed his support for this bill, noting the high cost of veterans' license plates. He pointed out that only a small percentage of veterans would benefit this and stressed the importance of alleviating some of the fiscal burden on veterans.

Additional Testimony: Eleven individuals expressed their support for this bill and any measures that would help veterans. Testimony was provided by:

- Robbert Caffrey
- Nancy Comeau
- Randy Cyr
- Kieran Edmondson
- Kevin Kauffman
- Hannah Linnell
- Michael Morneault
- Peter Plona
- William Sacchi
- Robert Titus
- Robert Wnek

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None expressed.

Reported by: Sam Sims

Date: 3/20/2025