

CHAPTER 480

MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGULATION

SENATE BILL 22-190

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AN ACT

CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-3-213, **amend** (1)(a)(XXX) and (1)(a)(XXXI); and **add** (1)(a)(XXXII) and (33) as follows:

42-3-213. License plates - military veterans - rules - retirement. (1) (a) The department shall issue one or more sets of license plates to the following persons who own a truck that does not exceed sixteen thousand pounds empty weight, a passenger car, a motorcycle, or a noncommercial or recreational vehicle:

(XXX) An honorably discharged or discharged LGBT veteran or retired woman veteran of the United States armed forces; ~~or~~

(XXXI) A woman veteran of the United States armed forces who has a disability;
 OR

(XXXII) A SERVING MEMBER OF; HONORABLY DISCHARGED OR DISCHARGED VETERAN OF; DISCHARGED LGBT VETERAN OF; OR RETIRED MEMBER OF ANY COMPONENT OF THE UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE;

(33) **Honorably discharged or discharged veteran, honorably discharged or discharged LGBT veteran, or retired, active, or reserve member of the U.S. Space Force.** (a) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DESIGN THE UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE LICENSE PLATE TO INDICATE THAT AN OWNER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE TO WHICH SUCH PLATE IS ATTACHED IS A VETERAN, RESERVE MEMBER, OR ACTIVE MEMBER OF

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THE UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE.

(b) A NATURAL PERSON WHO HAS RECEIVED AN HONORABLE DISCHARGE, IS A DISCHARGED LGBT VETERAN, IS RETIRED, OR IS AN ACTIVE OR RESERVE MEMBER OF ANY COMPONENT OF THE UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE MAY USE A UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE LICENSE PLATE.

(c) WHEN APPLYING FOR A UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE LICENSE PLATE, AN APPLICANT SHALL SUBMIT A DD214 FORM ISSUED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OR OTHER EVIDENCE SUFFICIENT TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE APPLICANT IS A VETERAN, RESERVE MEMBER, OR ACTIVE MEMBER OF ANY COMPONENT OF THE UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE.

(d) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL BEGIN ISSUING THE UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE LICENSE PLATE ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2023.

SECTION 2. Appropriation. (1) For the 2022-23 state fiscal year, \$23,278 is appropriated to the department of revenue for use by the division of motor vehicles. This appropriation consists of \$18,258 from the general fund and \$5,020 from the license plate cash fund created in section 42-3-301(1)(b), C.R.S. To implement this act, the department may use this appropriation as follows:

(a) \$15,832 from the general fund for DRIVES maintenance and support;

(b) \$2,426 from the general fund for the purchase of information technology services; and

(c) \$5,020 from the license plate cash fund for use by the division of motor vehicles for license plate ordering.

(2) For the 2022-23 state fiscal year, \$2,426 is appropriated to the office of the governor for use by the office of information technology. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds received from the department of revenue under subsection (1)(b) of this section. To implement this act, the office may use this appropriation to provide information technology services for the department of revenue.

SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: June 8, 2022