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3 By Representative Ball
4 RFD: Military and Veterans Affairs
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1 recipient of the Air Medal, or to any resident who shows by
2 satisfactory proof that he or she was a duly recognized former
3 prisoner of war, for use on a private motor vehicle registered
4 in the name of the resident. There shall be no fee or tax for
5 the license plate, except Purple Heart Medal recipients shall
6 pay ad valorem taxes on vehicles for which the distinctive
7 plates are issued, Distinguished Flying Cross, Silver Star,
8 ~~and,~~ Bronze Star, and Air Medal recipients shall pay the
9 regular registration fee and ad valorem taxes and an annual
10 additional fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25), and no recipient
11 shall receive a plate for more than one vehicle except as
12 provided in subsection (c).

13 "(b) A former prisoner of war for purposes of this
14 section is a person who, as a member of the United States
15 Armed Forces, or while serving with a formal United States
16 ally force, or as a United States civilian, was held as a
17 prisoner of war during any armed conflict by forces hostile to
18 the United States.

19 "(c) A person eligible to be issued a distinctive
20 license plate under this section may be issued additional
21 distinctive license plates, under any of the above license
22 plate categories, if the person otherwise qualifies to receive
23 the distinctive license plate, upon payment of all license tax
24 and registration fees, including ad valorem taxes, for the
25 vehicles and an annual additional fee of twenty-five dollars
26 (\$25) for the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Silver Star,
27 ~~and,~~ the Bronze Star, and the Air Medal distinctive license

1 plates. Annual renewal decals shall be provided after payment,
2 if required, of license fees and taxes for the years during
3 which a new tag or plate is not issued as provided in Section
4 32-6-63.

5 "§32-6-250.

6 ~~"(a) A distinctive permanent license plate shall be~~
7 ~~issued to any resident of the state who is a recipient of the~~
8 ~~Medal of Honor or the widow of a recipient of the Medal of~~
9 ~~Honor, to any resident who is a recipient of the Purple Heart~~
10 ~~Medal, to any resident who is a member of the Legion of Valor~~
11 ~~with positive proof of membership and the award of the Medal~~
12 ~~of Honor, the Army Distinguished Service Cross, the Navy~~
13 ~~Cross, or the Air Force Cross, to any resident who is a~~
14 ~~recipient of the Silver Star, to any resident who is a~~
15 ~~recipient of the Bronze Star, t or to any resident who shows~~
16 ~~by satisfactory proof that he or she was a duly recognized~~
17 ~~former prisoner of war, for use on a private motor vehicle~~
18 ~~registered in the name of the resident. There shall be no fee~~
19 ~~or tax for the license plate, except Purple Heart Medal~~
20 ~~recipients shall pay ad valorem taxes on vehicles for which~~
21 ~~the distinctive plates are issued, Silver Star and, Bronze~~
22 ~~Star, and Air Medal recipients shall pay the regular~~
23 ~~registration fee and ad valorem taxes and an annual additional~~
24 ~~fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25), and no recipient shall~~
25 ~~receive a plate for more than one vehicle except as provided~~
26 ~~in subsection (c).~~

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2 ~~section is a person who, as a member of the United States~~
3 ~~Armed Forces, or while serving with a formal United States~~
4 ~~ally force, or as a United States civilian, was held as a~~
5 ~~prisoner of war during any armed conflict by forces hostile to~~
6 ~~the United States.~~

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8 ~~license plate under this section may be issued additional~~
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11 ~~the distinctive license plate, upon payment of all license tax~~
12 ~~and registration fees, including ad valorem taxes, for the~~
13 ~~vehicles and an annual additional fee of twenty-five dollars~~
14 ~~(\$25) for the Silver Star and, the Bronze Star, and Air Medal~~
15 ~~distinctive license plates. Annual renewal decals shall be~~
16 ~~provided after payment, if required, of license fees and taxes~~
17 ~~for the years during which a new tag or plate is not issued as~~
18 ~~provided in Section 32-6-63.~~

19 ~~"§32-6-251.~~

20 ~~"The special plates shall be of the same size as~~
21 ~~regular motor vehicle license plates, distinguished by the~~
22 ~~letters MOH, LOV, Distinguished Flying Cross, Silver Star,~~
23 ~~Bronze Star, or PHM, or AM to be of a different color scheme~~
24 ~~and design to any other vehicle plate in this state, or POW to~~
25 ~~be of the same color scheme as other distinguished military~~
26 ~~plates in this state, whichever distinctive design applies,~~
27 ~~the nature of which shall be prescribed by a committee to be~~

1 appointed by the chief legislative sponsors of this division.
2 The net proceeds of the additional revenues from the sales of
3 the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Silver Star, ~~and~~ the
4 Bronze Star, and the Air Medal distinctive military plates,
5 less the administrative costs including the costs of
6 production incurred by the Department of Revenue in producing
7 the plates, shall be distributed by each judge of probate or
8 license commissioner to the state Comptroller. The state
9 Comptroller shall distribute the proceeds into the Alabama
10 Veterans' Assistance Fund in the State Treasury."

11 Section 2. This act shall become effective on ~~the~~
12 ~~first day of the third month~~ January 1, 2020, following its
13 passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise
14 becoming law.

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Yeas 101, Nays 0, Abstains 0

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Clerk