



FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 554

Committee: Military and Veterans Affairs

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House Bill 554 as introduced establishes a new distinctive license plate for motor vehicle owners who served in a component of the United States Armed Forces and received the Combat Action Ribbon, Combat Infantryman Badge, Combat Action Badge, or Air Force Combat Action Medal. The fee for the plate would be the same as for standard vehicles (\$23) and there would be an additional fee of \$3 for each plate issued. The standard fee would be distributed as follows:

State General Fund	\$10.00
Public Road and Bridge	\$9.30
Municipalities	\$2.52
Counties	\$1.18
Total	\$23.00

This bill provides criminal penalty for falsely obtaining a military combat action special license plate and could increase receipts to the State General Fund and municipal general funds from fines; increase receipts to the State General Fund, county general funds, municipal general funds, and other funds to which court costs are deposited; and could increase the obligations of the State General Fund, district attorneys, and local jails by an undetermined amount dependent upon the number of persons charged with and convicted of the offenses provided by this bill and the penalties imposed.