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3 By Senator Means
4 RFD: Veterans and Military Affairs
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8 SYNOPSIS: Existing law does not provide for separate
9 distinctive license plate categories for members of
10 the United States Air Force, Army, Navy, Coast
11 Guard, and Merchant Marines.

12 This bill would establish new distinctive
13 license plate categories for active or retired
14 members of the United States Air Force, Army, Navy,
15 Coast Guard, and Merchant Marines or persons
16 honorably discharged from any of these branches of
17 service. This bill would also provide for an
18 additional fee for the distinctive license plates.

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20 A BILL

21 TO BE ENTITLED

22 AN ACT

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24 Relating to distinctive motor vehicle plates or
25 tags; to establish new distinctive license plate categories
26 for certain members and prior members of the United States Air

1 Force, Army, Navy, Coast Guard, and Merchant Marines; and to
2 provide an additional fee for the license plate or tag.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

4 Section 1. (a) Notwithstanding Sections 32-6-64,
5 32-6-67, and 32-6-68 of the Code of Alabama 1975, upon
6 application and submission of the appropriate military
7 identification card, Leave and Earnings Statement, or DD214
8 form to the judge of probate, license commissioner, or other
9 license plate issuing official, compliance with motor vehicle
10 registration and licensing laws, payment of regular fees
11 required by law for license tags or plates, and payment of an
12 additional fee of three dollars (\$3) for the initial issuance
13 of the tag for a private passenger, pickup truck, or pleasure
14 motor vehicle, the owner of a motor vehicle who is a resident
15 of Alabama and an active or retired member of the United
16 States Air Force, Army, Navy, Coast Guard, or Merchant Marines
17 or has been honorably discharged from any of these branches of
18 service shall be issued a military distinctive license plate
19 designating the appropriate branch of service. The tag or
20 plate shall be valid for five years and may then be replaced
21 with either a conventional or new United States Air Force,
22 Army, Navy, Coast Guard, or Merchant Marine tag or plate.

23 (b) Payment of required license fees and taxes for
24 the years during which a new tag or plate is not issued shall
25 be evidenced as provided in Section 32-6-63 of the Code of
26 Alabama 1975.

1 (c) The United States Air Force, Army, Navy, Coast
2 Guard, or Merchant Marine military distinctive license plates
3 shall be designed by the Department of Veterans Affairs and
4 approved by the Department of Revenue.

5 (d) The tags or plates shall be issued, printed, and
6 processed like other distinctive plates provided for by law.

7 (e) The Department of Revenue may adopt any rules
8 necessary to administer this section.

9 Section 2. This act shall become effective on
10 January 1 following its passage and approval by the Governor,
11 or its otherwise becoming law.