

## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 HB1086

Introduced 02/04/11, by Rep. Thomas Holbrook

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/3-696 new

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides for the issuance of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm license plates to residents who have earned the Southwest Asia Service Medal. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by adding Section 3-696 as follows:
- 6 (625 ILCS 5/3-696 new)
- Sec. 3-696. Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm license plates.
- 9 (a) The Secretary, upon receipt of an application made in the form prescribed by the Secretary of State, may issue 10 special registration plates designated as Operation Desert 11 12 Shield/Desert Storm license plates to any Illinois resident who has earned the Southwest Asia Service Medal from the United 13 14 States Armed Forces. The special plates issued pursuant to this Section may be affixed only to passenger vehicles of the first 15 16 division, motorcycles, or motor vehicles of the second division 17 weighing not more than 8,000 pounds. Plates issued under this Section shall expire according to the staggered multi-year 18 19 procedure established by Section 3-414.1 of this Code.
  - (b) The design, color, and format of the plates shall be wholly within the discretion of the Secretary of State.

    Appropriate documentation, as determined by the Secretary, and the appropriate registration fee shall accompany the

- application. The Secretary may, in his or her discretion, allow
  the plates to be issued as vanity plates or personalized in
  accordance with Section 3-405.1 of this Code. The plates are
  not required to designate "Land of Lincoln", as prescribed in
  subsection (b) of Section 3-412 of this Code. The Secretary
  shall, in his or her discretion, approve and prescribe stickers
  or decals as provided under Section 3-412.
- 8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.