



**93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**State of Illinois**  
**2003 and 2004**  
**HB4489**

Introduced 02/03/04, by Carole Pankau

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

625 ILCS 5/3-628  
625 ILCS 5/3-642

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that qualified applicants pay no additional original issuance fee for Bronze Star and Silver Star special license plates.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning vehicles.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing  
5 Sections 3-628 and 3-642 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-628)

7 Sec. 3-628. Bronze Star plates.

8 (a) Beginning January 1, 1996, in addition to any other  
9 special license plate, the Secretary, upon receipt of all  
10 applicable fees and applications made in the form prescribed by  
11 the Secretary of State, may issue special registration plates  
12 to residents of Illinois who have been awarded the Bronze Star  
13 by the United States Armed Forces. The special plate issued  
14 under this Section shall be affixed only to passenger vehicles  
15 of the first division, motorcycles, or motor vehicles of the  
16 second division weighing not more than 8,000 pounds. Plates  
17 issued under this Section shall expire according to the  
18 staggered multi-year procedure established by Section 3-414.1  
19 of this Code.

20 (b) The design, color, and format of the plates shall be  
21 wholly within the discretion of the Secretary of State. The  
22 Secretary may, in his or her discretion, allow the plates to be  
23 issued as vanity plates or personalized in accordance with  
24 Section 3-405.1 of this Code. The plates are not required to  
25 designate "Land Of Lincoln", as prescribed in subsection (b) of  
26 Section 3-412 of this Code. The Secretary shall prescribe the  
27 eligibility requirements and, in his or her discretion, shall  
28 approve and prescribe stickers or decals as provided under  
29 Section 3-412.

30 (c) (Blank). ~~An applicant shall be charged a \$15 fee for~~  
31 ~~original issuance in addition to the appropriate registration~~  
32 ~~fee.~~

1       ~~This additional fee shall be deposited into the Secretary~~  
2 ~~of State Special License Plate Fund.~~

3       (Source: P.A. 92-545, eff. 6-12-02; 93-140, eff. 1-1-04.)

4             (625 ILCS 5/3-642)

5             Sec. 3-642. Silver Star plates.

6             (a) The Secretary, upon receipt of all applicable fees and  
7 applications made in the form prescribed by the Secretary, may  
8 issue special registration plates to residents of Illinois who  
9 have been awarded the Silver Star by the United States Armed  
10 Forces. The special plate issued under this Section shall be  
11 affixed only to passenger vehicles of the first division,  
12 motorcycles, or motor vehicles of the second division weighing  
13 not more than 8,000 pounds. Plates issued under this Section  
14 shall expire according to the staggered multi-year procedure  
15 established by Section 3-414.1 of this Code.

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