

# Driver and Vehicle Services Update Bulletin

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## House Bill 2301, Act 60 of 2024

Act 60 and Act 36 of 2024, which were signed into law on July 15, 2024, have amended or added multiple sections to the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code.

Act 60 has also amended Section 1901 (B), which becomes effective December 15, 2024. The following registration scenarios were moved from section 1901(c) to 1901(b), moving them from an \$11 processing fee in lieu of registration to no fees charged for title or registration:

- Vehicles registered to a veteran who lost a limb or eye or who became partially paralyzed while serving in the armed forces of the United States.
- Vehicles registered to a person who, as a member of the armed forces of the United States, was captured by the enemy in any armed conflict for which the Department of Defense authorizes a campaign medal.
- Vehicles registered to a person who has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.
- Vehicles registered to a person who has been awarded the Purple Heart.

Act 60, has also amended Section 1901 (C) (II), relating to vehicle owner that qualify for retired status by updating the annual income to \$29,906, which becomes effective December 15, 2024. The new income threshold will be subject to an annual CPI adjustment.

Act 60 and Act 36 have also allowed for the issuance of six new military registration plates for members of the U.S. Armed Forces. Act 60 of 2024, signed into law on July 15, 2024, allow for the issuance of these new Pennsylvania Registration plates. This portion of the act takes effect on November 12, 2024. The following plates will be available to order on November 12, 2024:

- **Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal Registration Plate:** Section 1356.1 of the Vehicle Code was added to include the issuance of a Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Registration Plate. Applicants for this registration plate must submit Form MV-150, "Application for U.S. Military Service Registration Plate," and a legible photocopy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers" indicating they were awarded the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal. This special registration plate will be available for

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passenger cars or trucks with a registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds. Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal Registration Plates require a fee of \$26.

- **Women Veteran Motorcycle Registration Plate:** Section 1361(A.1) of the vehicle Code was added to include the issuance of a Women Veteran Motorcycle Registration Plate. Applications for this registration plate must submit Form MV-150V, "Application for U.S. Military Veteran Registration Plate," and a legible photocopy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," or a legible photocopy of the front and back of their DD2(RET), "United States Uniformed Services Identification Card (Retired)." This special registration plate may only be used on a motorcycle. Women Veteran Motorcycle Registration Plates require a fee of \$26.
- **Honoring Our Women Veteran Motorcycle Registration Plate:** Section 1361(C) of the vehicle Code was added to include the issuance of an Honoring Our Women Veteran Registration Plate. Applications for this registration plate must submit Form MV-914, "Application for Honoring Our Veterans Special Fund Registration Plate. This special registration plate will be available for motorcycles only. Honoring Our Women Veteran Registration Plates require a fee of \$41. \$15 from every Honoring Our Women Veteran Motorcycle plate sold will be credited to the Veteran's Trust Fund for programs and resources that assist women veterans.
- **Women Veteran Registration Plate:** Section 1364(A.1) of the vehicle Code was added to include the issuance of a Women Veteran Registration Plate. Applications for this registration plate must submit Form MV-150V, "Application for U.S. Military Veteran Registration Plate," and a legible photocopy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers," or a legible photocopy of the front and back of their DD2(RET), "United States Uniformed Services Identification Card (Retired)." This special registration plate will be available for passenger cars or trucks with a registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds. Women Veterans Registration Plate requires a fee of \$26.
- **Borinqueneers Congressional Gold Medal Registration Plate:** Section 1368.4 of the vehicle Code was added to include the issuance of Borinqueneers Congressional Gold Medal Registration Plate. Applications for this registration plate must submit Form MV-150P, "Application for U.S. Military Service Registration Plate," and a legible photocopy of Form DD214, "Separation Papers or Discharge Papers" indicating they served in the 65<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment - the Borinqueneers, or other evidence of being issued the Congressional Gold Medal. This special registration plate will be available for passenger cars or trucks with a

registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds. Women Veterans Registration Plate requires a fee of \$26.

Act 60 has also amended the definition for who qualifies for a veteran plate in Section 1361 (A) and 1364 (A). Previously the veteran plates were available to an honorably discharged veteran, now a veteran is defined under 51 PA.C.S. § 7101.2.