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1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

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

- Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by adding
 Section 3-699 as follows:
- 6 (625 ILCS 5/3-699 new)
- 7 Sec. 3-699. Legion of Merit plates.

The Secretary, upon receipt of an application made in the 8 9 form prescribed by the Secretary of State, may issue special registration plates designated as Legion of Merit license 10 plates to recipients awarded the Legion of Merit by a branch of 11 12 the armed forces of the United States who reside in Illinois. The special plates issued pursuant to this Section should be 13 14 affixed only to passenger vehicles of the 1st division, including motorcycles, or motor vehicles of the 2nd division 15 16 weighing not more than 8,000 pounds. The Secretary may, in his 17 or her discretion, allow the plates to be issued as vanity or personalized plates in accordance with Section 3-405.1 of this 18 19 Code. The Secretary of State must make a version of the special registration plates authorized under this Section in a form 20 21 appropriate for motorcycles. 22 The design and color of such plates shall be wholly within

23 the discretion of the Secretary of State. No registration fee,

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- 1 including the fees established under Section 3-806 of this
- 2 Code, shall be charged for the issuance or renewal of any
- 3 plates issued under this Section.