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HOUSE BILL 1143  
PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE H1143-PCS80369-RK-26

Short Title: Military Wartime Veteran Special Plate Change.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 8, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE ALL  
MILITARY WARTIME VETERAN SPECIAL PLATES BASED ON DEFINED  
PERIODS OF WAR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-79.4(b)(76) reads as rewritten:

"(76) Military Wartime Veteran. – Issuable to either a member or veteran of the  
armed services of the United States who served during a period of ~~war-war~~  
who received a campaign or expeditionary ribbon or medal for their service.

If the person is a veteran of the armed services, then the veteran must be  
separated from the armed services under honorable conditions. The plate  
shall bear a word or phrase identifying the period of war and a replica of the  
campaign badge or medal awarded for that war. ~~Except for World War II  
and Korean Conflict plates, the~~The Division may not issue a ~~the~~ plate  
authorized by this subdivision unless it receives ~~at least~~ a total of 300  
applications for ~~that all~~ all periods of war, combined, to be represented on this  
plate. A "period of war" is any of the following:

- a. World War I, meaning the period beginning April 16, 1917, and  
ending November 11, 1918.
- b. World War II, meaning the period beginning December 7, 1941, and  
ending December 31, 1946.
- c. The Korean Conflict, meaning the period beginning June 27, 1950,  
and ending January 31, 1955.
- d. The Vietnam Era, meaning the period beginning August 5, 1964, and  
ending May 7, 1975.
- e. Desert Storm, meaning the period beginning August 2, 1990, and  
ending April 11, 1991.
- f. Operation Enduring Freedom, meaning the period beginning October  
24, 2001, and ending at a date to be determined.
- g. Operation Iraqi Freedom, meaning the period beginning March 19,  
2003, and ending at a date to be determined.
- h. Any other campaign, expedition, or engagement for which the United  
States Department of Defense authorizes a campaign badge or  
medal."



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**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.