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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 28-5802, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO VEHICLE
LICENSE TAXES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 28-5802, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 28-5802. Vehicle license tax exemption; veterans

5 A. Notwithstanding sections 28-2003 and 28-5801, the registering
6 officer shall not collect a vehicle license tax or registration fee from:

7 1. A veteran residing in this state for a vehicle or any
8 replacement of the vehicle acquired by financial aid from the United
9 States department of veterans affairs pursuant to Public Laws 79-663,
10 85-56, 85-857, 90-77, 91-666 and 93-538; 38 United States Code sections
11 1901 through 1988.

12 2. A veteran for a personally owned vehicle or a veteran and
13 another party owning a vehicle if the veteran is certified by the United
14 States department of veterans affairs as having a one hundred percent
15 disability and drawing compensation on that basis **OR AS HAVING AT LEAST A
16 FORTY PERCENT DISABILITY THAT RESULTS FROM A LOWER LIMB AMPUTATION AND
17 DRAWING COMPENSATION ON THAT BASIS.** The exemption provided by this
18 paragraph applies to a surviving spouse of the veteran with a disability
19 until the surviving spouse's remarriage or death.

20 B. On initial registration of a vehicle a veteran claiming an
21 exemption under subsection A of this section shall present satisfactory
22 proof of the United States department of veterans affairs financial aid or
23 government compensation and certificate on determination of one hundred
24 percent disability **OR AT LEAST FORTY PERCENT DISABILITY THAT RESULTS FROM
25 A LOWER LIMB AMPUTATION,** as applicable. The veteran may claim and be
26 granted an exemption and the surviving spouse may renew the registration
27 pursuant to the terms of the exemption provided to the veteran for only
28 one vehicle or any replacement of the vehicle owned by the veteran or the
29 surviving spouse until the surviving spouse's remarriage or death.

30 C. Notwithstanding sections 28-2003 and 28-5801, the registering
31 officer shall not collect a vehicle license tax and registration fee from
32 a veteran for a personally owned vehicle or a veteran and another party
33 owning a vehicle. The exemption allowed by this subsection applies only
34 to one vehicle and only if all of the following apply:

- 35 1. The veteran is a bona fide purple heart medal recipient.
36 2. The veteran was honorably discharged from the United States
37 military.

38 3. On initial registration of the vehicle, the veteran submits
39 satisfactory proof to the department that the person is a veteran and a
40 bona fide purple heart medal recipient and was honorably discharged ~~as~~
41 ~~required by paragraph 2 of this subsection.~~