



House of Representatives

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House Bill No. 5044

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The Committee on Transportation reported through REP. GUERRERA of the 29th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING GOLD STAR FAMILY NUMBER PLATES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 14-20c of the 2008 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective from passage*):

4 The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, at the request of any
5 immediate family member, shall issue a special certificate of
6 registration and a set of number plates memorializing residents of this
7 state who were killed in action while performing active military duty
8 with the armed forces, as defined in section 27-103. Such registration
9 and number plates shall be available for any motor vehicle owned or
10 leased for a period of at least one year. Such number plates shall expire
11 and be renewed as provided in section 14-22. [The commissioner shall
12 charge a fee for such plates which shall cover the entire cost of making
13 such plates and which shall be in addition to the fee for registration of
14 such motor vehicle.] No fee shall be charged for such plates. Such
15 plates shall bear the words "Gold Star Family", and the design of such

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 09 \$	FY 10 \$
Department of Motor Vehicles	TF - See Below	Minimal	Minimal

Note: TF=Transportation Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill eliminates the standard \$10 plate fee for "Gold Star Family" specialty license plate applicants. The revenue impact to the Special Transportation Fund is \$10 per plate. A total of 103 plates have been issued to date. Therefore, the bill is anticipated to result in a minimal fiscal impact (less than \$1,000) to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

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State Impact:

Agency Affected	FY 11 \$	FY 12 \$	FY 13 \$
Department of Motor Vehicles	Minimal	Minimal	Minimal

Note: TF=Transportation Fund

Municipal Impact: None

OLR Bill Analysis**HB 5044*****AN ACT CONCERNING GOLD STAR FAMILY NUMBER PLATES.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill eliminates the fee for the Gold Star Family license plate, which the legislature authorized in 2007 for immediate relatives of state residents killed in action while performing active military duty with the U.S. Armed Forces. Current law requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to charge a fee to cover the cost of making the plates, in addition to the normal registration fee. The current plate fee is \$10.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Joint Favorable Change of Reference

Yea 10 Nay 0 (02/28/2008)

Transportation Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 31 Nay 0 (03/07/2008)