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Introduced by M. of A. GABRYSZAK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to permitting widows, widowers, parents, stepparents, siblings, grandparents, children or stepchildren to purchase "gold star family" license plates and eliminates the registration fee for such plate

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 404-i of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 277 of the laws of 1991, subdivision 1 as amended by chapter 732 of the laws of 2004, subdivision 3 as amended by chapter 486 of the laws of 1996, and as renumbered by chapter 108 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as follows:

S 404-i. Distinctive plates for gold star [mothers] FAMILIES. 1. Any gold star [mother or the spouse of a gold star mother] WIDOW OR WIDOWER, PARENT OR STEPPARENT, SIBLING OR STEP-SIBLING, GRANDPARENT, CHILD OR STEPCHILD residing in this state shall, upon request, be issued a license plate bearing the words "gold star [mother] FAMILY". If a distinctive plate is issued to a gold star [mother] FAMILY MEMBER pursuant to this section, additional distinctive plates may be issued for every vehicle registered in the name of the gold star [mother] FAMILY MEMBER recipient residing in this state [or the spouse of such gold star mother]. Application for said license plate shall be filed with the commissioner in such form and detail as the commissioner shall prescribe.

2. The distinctive plate authorized herein shall be issued upon proof, satisfactory to the commissioner, that the applicant [or the spouse of the applicant] is a gold star [mother] FAMILY MEMBER.

3. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued in the same manner as other number plates [upon payment of the regular] EXCEPT THAT NO registration fee [prescribed by section four hundred one of this article, provided, however, that no] OR service charge shall be charged for such plate.

4. THE DISTINCTIVE PLATE NUMBER SHALL BE COMPRISED OF THE DATE OF BIRTH OF THE DECEASED MILITARY RELATIVE.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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