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House of Representatives, January 16, 2007

An Act To Establish a Special Veterans License Plate for Motorcycles

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative BURNS of Berwick.
Cosponsored by Senator SULLIVAN of York and
Representatives: CANAVAN of Waterville, CARTER of Bethel, DRISCOLL of Westbrook,
EMERY of Cutler, GREELEY of Levant, HILL of York, MARLEY of Portland, WHEELER
of Kittery.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §523, sub-§3-A** is enacted to read:

3 **3-A. Motorcycle plates; veterans.** In addition to any plate issued pursuant to
4 subsection 3, the Secretary of State, on application and evidence of payment of the excise
5 tax required by Title 36, section 1482, shall issue a registration certificate and a special
6 veterans registration plate for one designated motorcycle owned or controlled by a person
7 who has served in the United States Armed Forces and who has been honorably
8 discharged.

9 Each application must be accompanied by the applicant's Armed Forces Report of
10 Transfer or Discharge, DD Form 214, or certification from the United States Veterans
11 Administration or the appropriate branch of the United States Armed Forces verifying the
12 applicant's military service and honorable discharge.

13 All surplus revenue collected for issuance of the special registration plates is retained by
14 the Secretary of State to maintain and support this program.

15 The surviving spouse of a special veteran plate recipient issued a motorcycle plate in
16 accordance with this subsection may retain and display the special veteran plate as long
17 as the surviving spouse remains unmarried. Upon remarriage, the surviving spouse may
18 not use the special veteran plate on a motorcycle, but may retain it as a keepsake. Upon
19 the death of the surviving spouse, the family may retain the special veteran plate, but may
20 not use it on a motorcycle.

21 **SUMMARY**

22 This bill authorizes the Secretary of State to issue special veterans motorcycle
23 registration plates for veterans of the United States Armed Forces.