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HOUSE BILL 1561
Committee Substitute Favorable 7/15/09

Short Title: Purple Heart/Blue Knights Motorcycle Plates.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 30, 2009

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE A
3 MOTORCYCLE PLATE FOR PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS AND TO AUTHORIZE
4 THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE A BLUE KNIGHTS SPECIAL
5 PLATE FOR MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTORCYCLES.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-79.4(101) reads as rewritten:

8 "(101) Purple Heart Recipient. – Issuable to a recipient of the Purple Heart award.
9 The plate shall bear the phrase "Purple Heart Veteran, Combat Wounded"
10 and the letters "PH". A person may obtain from the Division a special
11 registration plate under this subdivision for the registered owner of a motor
12 vehicle or a motorcycle. A motorcycle plate issued under this subdivision
13 shall bear a depiction of the Purple Heart Medal, the letters "CW", and the
14 phrase "Purple Heart Veteran"."

15 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 20-79.4(b) reads as rewritten:

16 "§ 20-79.4. Special registration plates.

17 ...
18 (b) Types. – The Division shall issue the following types of special registration plates:

19 ...
20 (14a) Blue Knights. – Issuable to a member of the Blue Knights International Law
21 Enforcement Officers Motorcycle Club, Inc. The plate shall bear the emblem
22 of the Blue Knights International Law Enforcement Officers Motorcycle
23 Club, Inc. The Division must receive 300 or more applications for the plate
24 before this plate may be developed. A person may obtain a special
25 registration plate under this subdivision for a motor vehicle or motorcycle
26 registered in that person's name. The registration fees and the restrictions on
27 the issuance of a specialized registration plate for a motorcycle are the same
28 as for any motor vehicle. The Division must receive a minimum of 300
29 applications to develop a special registration plate for a motorcycle.

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31 **SECTION 3.** G.S. 20-79.4(b) reads as rewritten:

32 "§ 20-79.4. Special registration plates.

33 ...
34 (b) Types. – The Division shall issue the following types of special registration plates:

35 ...
36 (14a)(14b) Brain Injury Awareness. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor
37 vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate shall bear the phrase



1 "Brain Injury Awareness" and the logo of the nonprofit group Brain Injury
2 Association of North Carolina, Inc.
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4 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.