

Senate Bill 557

Sponsored by Senators MORSE, METSGER (at the request of Michael Thorpe)

SUMMARY

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Directs Department of Transportation to establish program to issue Gold Star Family registration plates to family members of person killed during active service in Armed Forces of United States.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to Gold Star Family registration plate.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2007 Act is added to and made a part of the Oregon Vehicle**
5 **Code.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) The Department of Transportation shall establish a Gold Star Family**
7 **registration plate program to issue registration plates called "Gold Star Family registration**
8 **plates" upon request to persons who qualify under this section.**

9 **(2)(a) A person is eligible for Gold Star Family registration plates under this section if**
10 **the person certifies on a form approved by the department that the person is a surviving**
11 **family member of a person who is killed while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the**
12 **United States.**

13 **(b) As used in this subsection, "surviving family member" means a surviving parent,**
14 **spouse or dependent of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is killed**
15 **while on active duty.**

16 **(3) Plates may be issued under this section for any motor vehicle registered under ORS**
17 **803.420 (1), (9)(a) or (16)(c) or (d) if the owner of the motor vehicle qualifies under this sec-**
18 **tion.**

19 **(4) Plates issued under this section shall be from the current regular issue of plates ex-**
20 **cept that the department shall add:**

21 **(a) A five-point gold star on the left side with a single point facing upward; and**

22 **(b) The words "Gold Star Family" clearly displayed along the bottom of the plate.**
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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.