

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Meghan K. Kilcoyne

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act establishing distinctive license plates for Army combat veterans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Meghan K. Kilcoyne</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>	<i>11/30/2023</i>

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By Representative Kilcoyne of Clinton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Meghan Kilcoyne for legislation to establish distinctive license plates for certain Army combat veterans. Transportation.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act establishing distinctive license plates for Army combat veterans.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting
2 after the eighteenth paragraph, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, the following
3 paragraph:-

4 The registrar shall furnish without charge to owners of private passenger motor vehicles
5 who are veterans as defined in said clause Forty-third of said section seven of said chapter four
6 who have been awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge (Second
7 Award), or Combat Action Badge and upon evidence deemed satisfactory by the registrar,
8 distinctive registration plates bearing the words, "COMBAT VETERAN" and bearing a
9 distinctive emblem that identifies the branch of the armed services in which such owner served,
10 and the receipt of the Combat Infantryman Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge (Second Award),
11 or Combat Action Badge for one private passenger motor vehicle or motorcycle owned and
12 principally used by such recipient; provided, however, that the surviving spouse of a deceased

13 recipient may elect to retain such distinctive registration plates or emblem for personal use upon
14 payment of the established registration fee for private passenger motor vehicles or motorcycles
15 and an additional annual twenty dollar fee until such time as such spouse remarries or fails to
16 renew or cancels such registration.