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By Senators Roach, Benton, Heavey, Deccio, Oke, Long, Winsley and Rasmussen

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1 AN ACT Relating to veterans remembrance emblems; and amending RCW
2 46.16.319.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.16.319 and 1991 c 339 s 11 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) ~~((The department shall issue upon payment of a fee and proof~~
7 ~~from an honorably discharged veteran, veterans with honorable military~~
8 ~~service, or military personnel on active duty in the armed service, a~~
9 ~~remembrance emblem depicting a tribute or message and the American~~
10 ~~flag.~~

11 ~~(2) Veterans and military personnel who served in our nation's wars~~
12 ~~and conflicts can, upon request and payment of a fee and proof of~~
13 ~~service, receive a remembrance emblem depicting the campaign ribbon~~
14 ~~they were awarded. The following campaign ribbon remembrance emblems~~
15 ~~will be available: World War I victory medal; Asiatic-Pacific campaign~~
16 ~~medal, WWII; European-African-Middle East campaign medal, WWII;~~
17 ~~American campaign medal, WWII; Korean service medal; Vietnam service~~
18 ~~medal; Armed Forces Expeditionary, after 1958. The director may adopt~~
19 ~~additional campaign ribbon remembrance emblems by rule.~~

1 ~~(3) The remembrance emblem will be displayed upon vehicle license~~
2 ~~plates in the manner prescribed by the department.~~

3 ~~(4) A veteran or military personnel requesting a remembrance emblem~~
4 ~~from the department shall provide a copy of his or her discharge papers~~
5 ~~(DD-214) or military orders indicating their military status and~~
6 ~~campaign ribbon awarded along with payment of the fee. A veteran or~~
7 ~~military personnel requesting a remembrance emblem must be a legal or~~
8 ~~registered owner of the vehicle on which remembrance emblems are to be~~
9 ~~displayed)) Veterans discharged under honorable conditions (veterans)~~
10 ~~and individuals serving on active duty in the United States armed~~
11 ~~forces (active duty military personnel) may purchase a veterans~~
12 ~~remembrance emblem or campaign medal emblem. The emblem is to be~~
13 ~~displayed on vehicle license plates in the manner described by the~~
14 ~~department, existing vehicular licensing procedures, and current laws.~~

15 (2) Veterans and active duty military personnel who served during
16 periods of war or armed conflict may purchase a remembrance emblem
17 depicting campaign ribbons which they were awarded.

18 (3) The following campaign ribbon remembrance emblems are
19 available:

- 20 (a) World War I victory medal;
- 21 (b) World War II Asiatic-Pacific campaign medal;
- 22 (c) World War II European-African Middle East campaign medal;
- 23 (d) World War II American campaign medal;
- 24 (e) Korean service medal;
- 25 (f) Vietnam service medal;
- 26 (g) Armed forces expeditionary medal awarded after 1958; and
- 27 (h) Southwest Asia medal.

28 The director may issue additional campaign ribbon emblems by rule
29 as authorized decorations by the United States department of defense.

30 (4) Veterans or active duty military personnel requesting a veteran
31 remembrance emblem or campaign medal emblem or emblems must:

- 32 (a) Pay a prescribed fee set by the department; and
- 33 (b) Show proof of eligibility through:
 - 34 (i) Providing a DD-214 or discharge papers if a veteran;
 - 35 (ii) Providing a copy of orders awarding a campaign ribbon if an
 - 36 individual serving on military active duty; or

37 (iii) Attesting in a notarized affidavit of their eligibility as
38 required under this section.

1 (5) Veterans or active duty military personnel who purchase a
2 veteran remembrance emblem or a campaign medal emblem must be the legal
3 or registered owner of the vehicle on which the emblem is to be
4 displayed.

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