

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2009**

**SESSION LAW 2010-39  
HOUSE BILL 1143**

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE ALL  
MILITARY WARTIME VETERAN SPECIAL PLATES BASED ON DEFINED  
PERIODS OF WAR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-79.4(b)(76) reads as rewritten:

- "(76) Military Wartime Veteran. – Issuable to either a member or veteran of the armed services of the United States who served during a period of ~~war~~ war who received a campaign or expeditionary ribbon or medal for their service. If the person is a veteran of the armed services, then the veteran must be separated from the armed services under honorable conditions. The plate shall bear a word or phrase identifying the period of war and a replica of the campaign badge or medal awarded for that war. ~~Except for World War II and Korean Conflict plates, the~~ The Division may not issue a the plate authorized by this subdivision unless it receives ~~at least~~ a total of 300 applications for ~~that all~~ all periods of war, combined, to be represented on this plate. A "period of war" is any of the following:
- a. World War I, meaning the period beginning April 16, 1917, and ending November 11, 1918.
  - b. World War II, meaning the period beginning December 7, 1941, and ending December 31, 1946.
  - c. The Korean Conflict, meaning the period beginning June 27, 1950, and ending January 31, 1955.
  - d. The Vietnam Era, meaning the period beginning August 5, 1964, and ending May 7, 1975.
  - e. Desert Storm, meaning the period beginning August 2, 1990, and ending April 11, 1991.
  - f. Operation Enduring Freedom, meaning the period beginning October 24, 2001, and ending at a date to be determined.
  - g. Operation Iraqi Freedom, meaning the period beginning March 19, 2003, and ending at a date to be determined.
  - h. Any other campaign, expedition, or engagement for which the United States Department of Defense authorizes a campaign badge or medal."



**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.  
In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of June,  
2010.

s/ Walter H. Dalton  
President of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue  
Governor

Approved 9:23 a.m. this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2010