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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SPECIAL NUMBER PLATES.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Section 249-9.2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:

3           "(a) In lieu of the number plates contracted on behalf of  
4 the counties by the director of finance of the city and county  
5 of Honolulu, the director of finance shall provide for a fee,  
6 one set of special number plates upon the receipt of an  
7 application together with:

- 8           (1) Specific proof that the applicant was awarded the  
9 Purple Heart by the United States Department of  
10 Defense for wounds received in military or naval  
11 combat against an armed enemy of the United States;
- 12           (2) Certification that the applicant is a veteran;
- 13           (3) Specific proof that the applicant was serving the  
14 United States in the military or as a civilian, on  
15 Oahu, or offshore at a distance of not more than three  
16 miles at the time of the December 7, 1941, attack on  
17 Pearl Harbor. Certification from the Hawaii state



1 chairperson of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association  
2 shall constitute sufficient proof;

3 (4) Specific proof that the applicant was confined as a  
4 prisoner of war while providing military service to  
5 the United States; [~~or~~]

6 (5) Certification from the United States Department of  
7 Veterans Affairs or the state office of veterans'  
8 services that the applicant is a combat veteran or a  
9 veteran of the Vietnam conflict, the Korean conflict,  
10 World War II, or the Persian Gulf conflict [~~-~~]; or

11 (6) Specific proof that the applicant would qualify for a  
12 gold star lapel button under the criteria established  
13 by Title 10 United States Code Section 1126; provided  
14 that the applicant shall not be disqualified for the  
15 special number plates because the applicant is the  
16 grandparent of the deceased member of the United  
17 States armed forces;

18 provided that applicants, except civilian applicants under  
19 paragraph (3) [~~7~~] and civilian applicants and applicants who are  
20 currently serving the United States in the military under  
21 paragraph (6), shall also provide a copy of the applicant's most  
22 recent discharge paper or separation document that indicates an



1 honorable discharge or general (under honorable conditions)  
2 discharge from active duty.

3 (b) The design of the plates for:

4 (1) Purple heart recipients shall include the words

5 "COMBAT WOUNDED";

6 (2) Veterans shall include the word "VETERAN";

7 (3) Pearl Harbor survivors shall include the words "PEARL

8 HARBOR SURVIVOR";

9 (4) Former prisoners of war shall include the words

10 "FORMER PRISONER OF WAR";

11 (5) Combat veterans shall include the words "COMBAT

12 VETERAN";

13 (6) Veterans of the Vietnam conflict shall include the

14 words "VIETNAM VETERAN";

15 (7) Veterans of the Korean conflict shall include the

16 words "KOREA VETERAN";

17 (8) Veterans of World War II shall include the words

18 "WORLD WAR II VETERAN"; [and]

19 (9) Veterans of the Persian Gulf conflict shall include

20 the words "PERSIAN GULF VETERAN" [-]; and

21 (10) Gold star family members, including grandparents,

22 shall include the words "GOLD STAR FAMILY".



1           These designations shall be imprinted on the left side of  
2 the license plates in a manner similar to congressional and  
3 honorary consul license plates."

4           SECTION 2. The director of finance of the city and county  
5 of Honolulu shall provide the "GOLD STAR FAMILY" special number  
6 plates described in section 1 of this Act no later than October  
7 1, 2011.

8           SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

10          SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Gold Star Family Plates

**Description:**

Designates a new special design Gold Star Family plate for children, parents, grandparents, spouses, and siblings of fallen soldiers and to be provided no later than October 1, 2011.

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