

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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ATTN: Ezekiel Dasho

I have two notes on this draft. First, I added a provision that restricts the power of the Department of Transportation (DOT) to issue plates incorporating the emblem of the Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH) until the department has received authorization to use the emblem. Though I am not certain, it is likely that MOPH's emblem is subject to trademark protections and that DOT would need to come to some sort of agreement prior to issuing plates using the emblem. Second, I added the provision allowing a surviving spouse to be issued a nondisabled Purple Heart plate. I was not certain how you wished to handle the registration fees, so I attempted to conform the surviving spouse provision to the disabled veteran provision. Thus, as currently drafted, the surviving spouse provision limits DOT to charging only the general registration fee. This means that DOT would not be able to charge the surviving spouse the military special group fee under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 9. that is charged to other persons who are issued Purple Heart medal awardee plates. Let me know if you would like this changed or if you have any further instructions or questions.

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