

House Bill 1062

By: Representatives Welch of the 110th and Clark of the 98th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 40-2-85.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 special and distinctive license plates for veterans, so as to provide for a free special and
3 distinctive vehicle license plate for military veterans who have received a Soldier's Medal;
4 to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 40-2-85.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special and
8 distinctive license plates for veterans, is amended by revising subsection (a) as follows:

9 "(a) For purposes of this Code section, the term:

10 (1) 'Military medal award' means the following medals, decorations, or other recognition
11 of honor for military service awarded by a branch of the United States military:

12 (A) Medal of Honor;

13 (B) Bronze Star Medal;

14 (C) Silver Star Medal;

15 (D) Distinguished Service Cross;

16 (E) Navy Cross;

17 (F) Air Force Cross;

18 (G) Defense Distinguished Service Medal;

19 (H) Homeland Security Distinguished Service Medal;

20 (I) Distinguished Service Medal;

21 (J) Navy Distinguished Service Medal;

22 (K) Air Force Distinguished Service Medal;

23 (L) Coast Guard Distinguished Service Medal;

24 (M) Defense Superior Service Medal;

25 (N) Legion of Merit;

26 (O) Distinguished Flying Cross;

27 (P) Purple Heart; ~~and~~

28 (Q) Air Medal; and

29 (R) Soldier's Medal.

30 (2) 'Served during active military combat' means active duty service in World War I,
31 World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Operation Desert Storm, the Global
32 War on Terrorism as defined by Presidential Executive Order 13289, Section 2, the war
33 in Afghanistan, or the war in Iraq, which includes either Operation Iraqi Freedom or
34 Operation Enduring Freedom.

35 (3) 'Veteran' means a former member of the armed forces of the United States who is
36 discharged from the armed forces under conditions other than dishonorable."

37 **SECTION 2.**

38 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.