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**HOUSE BILL 553**

Short Title: U.S. Wartime Military Veteran Special Plate. (Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Allred; Gulley and Goodwin.

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Referred to: Military, Veterans and Indian Affairs, if favorable, Finance.

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March 12, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE A  
SPECIAL PLATE FOR U.S. WARTIME MILITARY VETERANS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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

"(b) Types. – The Division shall issue the following types of special registration plates:

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(50a) Wartime Military Veteran.-- Issuable to a veteran of the armed forces of the United States who served during a period of war and who was separated from the armed forces under honorable conditions. The plate shall bear the words "U.S. Wartime Veteran" and the name and insignia of the branch of service in which the veteran served. The Division may not issue the plate authorized by this subdivision unless it receives at least 300 applications for the plate. A "period of war" is any of the following:

- a. World War I, which began April 16, 1917, and ended November 11, 1918.
- b. World War II, which began December 7, 1941, and ended December 31, 1946.
- c. The Korean Conflict, which began June 27, 1950, and ended January 31, 1955.
- d. The Vietnam Era, which began August 5, 1964, and ended May 7, 1975.
- e. The Persian Gulf War.
- f. Any other campaign, expedition, or engagement for which the United States Department of Defense authorizes a campaign badge or medal."

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**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.