Ohio Revised Code
Section 4503.535 POW/MIA awareness license plates.
Effective: July 1, 2017
Legislation: House Bill 26 - 132nd General Assembly

(A) The owner or lessee of any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, motorcycle, motorized bicycle or moped, trailer, or other vehicle of a class approved by the registrar of motor vehicles, and, effective January 1, 2017, the owner or lessee of any motor-driven cycle or motor scooter, autocycle, or cab-enclosed motorcycle, may apply to the registrar for the registration of the vehicle and issuance of POW/MIA awareness license plates. The application for POW/MIA awareness license plates may be combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and compliance with division (B) of this section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the appropriate vehicle registration and a set of POW/MIA awareness license plates with a validation sticker, or a validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the Revised Code.

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed thereon, POW/MIA awareness license plates shall bear the markings designed by rolling thunder, inc., chapter 1 Ohio. POW/MIA awareness license plates, except for motorcycle, motorized bicycle, or moped license plates, also shall bear the words "not forgotten." The registrar shall approve the final design. POW/MIA awareness license plates shall bear county identification stickers that identify the county of registration as required under section 4503.19 of the Revised Code.

(B) POW/MIA awareness license plates and validation stickers shall be issued upon payment of the regular license tax as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any applicable motor vehicle tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, a bureau of motor vehicles administrative fee of ten dollars, the contribution specified in division (C) of this section, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles. If the application for POW/MIA awareness license plates is combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, the license plates and validation sticker shall be issued upon payment of the contribution, fees, and taxes contained in this division and the additional fee prescribed under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code.
(C) For each application for registration and registration renewal submitted under this section, the registrar shall collect a contribution of twenty-five dollars. The registrar shall pay this contribution into the state treasury to the credit of the military injury relief fund created in section 5902.05 of the Revised Code.

The registrar shall pay the ten-dollar bureau administrative fee, the purpose of which is to compensate the bureau for additional services required in issuing POW/MIA awareness license plates, into the state treasury to the credit of the public safety - highway purposes fund created in section 4501.06 of the Revised Code.

The Legislative Service Commission presents the text of this section as a composite of the section as amended by multiple acts of the General Assembly. This presentation recognizes the principle stated in R.C. 1.52(B) that amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous operation.