By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Collins

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to toll exemptions for Purple Heart medal recipients; amending s. 338.155, F.S.; revising eligibility for toll exemptions to include operators displaying a Purple Heart special license plate or a Purple Heart special motorcycle license plate; providing an effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 338.155, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

338.155 Payment of toll on toll facilities required; exemptions.-

- (1)(a) A person may not use a toll facility without payment of tolls, except:
- 1. An employee of the agency operating the toll project when using the toll facility on official state business.
- 2. State military personnel while on official military business.
- 3. A person with a disability as provided in subsection (3).
- A person exempt from toll payment by the authorizing resolution for bonds issued to finance the facility.
- 5. A person exempt on a temporary basis where use of such toll facility is required as a detour route.
- 6. A law enforcement officer operating an official vehicle while on official law enforcement business.
 - 7. A person operating a fire vehicle while on official

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30 business or a rescue vehicle while on official business.

- 8. A person participating in the funeral procession of a law enforcement officer or firefighter killed in the line of duty.
- 9. A person operating a motor vehicle displaying a Purple Heart special license plate or a motorcycle displaying a Purple Heart special motorcycle license plate.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.