

# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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### Senate Bill 479

FISCAL  
NOTE

BY SENATOR MAYNARD

[Introduced January 15, 2020; referred  
to the Committee on Government Organization; and  
then to the Committee on Finance]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,  
2 designated §17A-3-2a, relating to registration of military surplus vehicles.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

**ARTICLE 3. ORIGINAL AND RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION; ISSUANCE OF  
CERTIFICATES OF TITLE.**

**§17A-3-2a. Registration of military surplus vehicles.**

1 (a) Notwithstanding other provisions of this article, each military surplus vehicle which is  
2 driven or moved upon a highway, is subject to a one-time registration fee of \$30.

3 (b) A “Military Surplus Vehicle” means a wheeled, multi-purpose or tactical vehicle,  
4 including a trailer, that was manufactured for military use by or under the direction of the United  
5 States Armed Forces or the armed forces of any other country and was subsequently authorized  
6 for sale to civilians.

7 (c) Military surplus vehicles registered under this section shall not be used for general  
8 transportation purposes, but may be used:

9 (1) For participation in off-road events, on-road club activities, exhibitions, tours, parades,  
10 and similar uses; and

11 (2) For the purpose of selling the vehicle, obtaining repairs or maintenance, occasional  
12 pleasure driving, or transportation to and from events as described in this subsection.

13 (d) Any owner of a military surplus vehicle applying for registration pursuant to this section  
14 shall provide proof acceptable to the administration that the military surplus vehicle passed a  
15 safety inspection process that has been approved by the administration in consultation with the  
16 military surplus vehicle community in this state.

17 Military surplus vehicles registered under any other provision prior to enactment of this  
18 section may continue to be registered under that provision. In the event that the vehicle is  
19 transferred to a new owner, the vehicle must be registered as a military surplus vehicle pursuant

20 to this section.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to provide for registration and use of military surplus vehicles.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.