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**HANDICAPPER CERTIFICATION**

**House Bills 5014 and 5015  
Sponsor: Rep. Jim McBryde  
Committee: State Affairs**

**Complete to 2-9-94**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILLS 5014 and 5015 AS INTRODUCED 8-31-93**

Currently, the Michigan Vehicle Code provides that if a handicapper applies in person at a branch office of the secretary of state and it is apparent that the handicapper has a qualifying handicap the handicapper does not need a medical statement verifying the handicap in order to obtain a certificate of identification for his or her use (for purposes of using handicapper parking spaces). Additionally, a handicapper who obtains a certificate of identification is entitled to free parking in a metered space.

House Bills 5014 and 5015 would delete the provision allowing the secretary of state to issue a handicapper certificate without a medical statement. Further, the bills would provide that upon application for an original or renewal certification of identification (accompanied by a medical statement from a physician stating the nature of the handicap and the estimated length of the handicap), a handicapper would receive either a white or blue certificate of identification. A white certificate of identification would entitle the person to park free in a metered parking place. However, a blue certificate of identification would permit the handicapper, or the person who drives the handicapper, to park in a handicapper parking place but would not permit free parking. A blue certificate of identification would be issued to a handicapper who, despite the presence of a handicap, was able to pay the parking fee for the handicapper parking space. The secretary of state would be required to modify the handicapper parking permit application to require a physician to certify that the handicapper qualified for the blue certificate of identification.

The bills are tie-barred to each other.

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