

House Bill 5147
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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5147 AND AS INTRODUCED 10-9-01

Public Act 222 of 1972 allows an individual who does not have a valid operator's or chauffeur's licensed to apply for a state personal identification card. House Bill 5147 would amend the law (MCL 28.292) to permit a state personal identification cardholder to apply a sticker or decal to the card indicating that he or she carried an emergency medical information card and/or that he or she had designated one or more patient advocates.

Under current law, the secretary of state is responsible for prescribing the form of the state personal identification card. The bill would require that the secretary of state designate on the state personal identification card a space where an individual could place a sticker or decal indicating that he or she carried an emergency medical information card. The sticker or decal could also be used to indicate that the cardholder had designated one or more patient advocates in accordance with the Estates and Protected Individuals Code. Any person, hospital, school, medical group, or association interested in assisting in implementing the emergency medical information card could provide the sticker or decal, but the sticker or decal would have to conform to any specifications, including a uniform size, issued by the secretary of state.

The emergency medical information card could contain an indication of the cardholder's willingness to have his or her name placed on the organ donor registry maintained by the state's federally designated organ procurement organization, or its successor organization. The emergency medical information card could also contain information concerning the licensee's patient advocate designation, other emergency medical information, or an indication as to where the licensee had stored or registered emergency medical information.

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