

HOUSE BILL No. 5253

November 9, 2017, Introduced by Rep. Ellison and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled
"Michigan vehicle code,"
by amending section 803f (MCL 257.803f), as amended by 1998 PA 68.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 803f. (1) A person who is a ~~totally~~-disabled veteran with
2 an honorable discharge from the armed services may make an
3 application to the secretary of state if he or she owns a private
4 passenger motor vehicle, and the secretary of state may issue a
5 special registration plate ~~which shall be~~-inscribed with special
6 identification numbers preceded by the letters "DV" and ~~shall have~~
7 the words "disabled veteran" inscribed beneath the registration
8 number. ~~For the purposes of~~ **AS USED IN** this section, "private
9 passenger motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle ~~which~~ **THAT** is
10 personally owned by ~~the~~ **A** disabled veteran and is used for the

1 primary purpose of transporting the disabled veteran and **HIS OR HER**
 2 family members, ~~of the disabled veteran,~~ but does not include a
 3 motor home.

4 (2) ~~Application~~ **AN APPLICATION** for the special registration
 5 plate **DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)** shall be on a form prescribed by
 6 the secretary of state ~~,~~ and shall be accompanied by a service fee
 7 of \$5.00 and proof that the applicant was honorably discharged from
 8 the armed services and ~~either~~ 1 of the following:

9 (a) ~~That~~ **IF THE APPLICANT IS A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN, THAT**
 10 the applicant has been determined by the veterans' administration
 11 of the federal government to have a service-connected total or
 12 permanent total disability rating for compensation.

13 (b) ~~That~~ **IF THE APPLICANT IS A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN, THAT**
 14 the applicant has been determined to have a service-connected total
 15 or permanent total disability rating and is receiving disability
 16 retirement pay from a branch of the uniformed armed services.

17 (C) **IF THE APPLICANT IS A PARTIALLY DISABLED VETERAN, THAT THE**
 18 **APPLICANT HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO HAVE A SERVICE-CONNECTED**
 19 **DISABILITY RATING.**

20 (3) A special registration issued under this section is exempt
 21 from payment of the tax provided **FOR** in section 801. **THIS**
 22 **SUBSECTION ONLY APPLIES TO A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN DESCRIBED IN**
 23 **SUBSECTION (2) (A) OR (2) (B) .**

24 (4) ~~The~~ **A** special registration plate ~~shall expire~~ **ISSUED TO A**
 25 **TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2) (A) OR (B)**
 26 **UNDER THIS SECTION EXPIRES** on the birthday of the **TOTALLY** disabled
 27 veteran in a year in which new plates are issued by the secretary

1 of state. Application for renewal of the special registration plate
2 shall be accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee. The applicant shall
3 not be required to furnish the proof provided in subsection (2).

4 **(5) A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE ISSUED TO A PARTIALLY**
5 **DISABLED VETERAN DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2) (C) EXPIRES AS PROVIDED**
6 **IN SECTION 226, AND A PARTIALLY DISABLED VETERAN SHALL APPLY FOR**
7 **RENEWAL OF THE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE AS PROVIDED IN SECTION**
8 **226. THE APPLICANT SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO FURNISH THE PROOF**
9 **PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2).**

10 **(6) ~~(5) The~~ IF APPLICABLE, THE** secretary of state may issue to
11 a disabled ~~person~~ **VETERAN** who has been issued a special
12 registration plate under this section a tab for persons with
13 disabilities. The tab for persons with disabilities shall be an
14 adhesive tab displaying the international wheelchair symbol or a
15 reasonable facsimile of that symbol. The tab for persons with
16 disabilities may be attached only to the special registration plate
17 issued to the disabled ~~person~~ **VETERAN** under this section.

18 **(7) ~~(6) An~~** application for a tab for persons with disabilities
19 shall be on a form prescribed by the secretary of state. The
20 secretary of state shall require the same proof that the applicant
21 is a disabled person as is required for issuance of a permanent
22 windshield placard under section 675.

23 **(8) ~~(7) The~~ A** tab for persons with disabilities **ISSUED UNDER**
24 **SUBSECTION (6)** shall be issued free of charge.

25 **(9) ~~(8) When~~** a disabled ~~person~~ **VETERAN** who has been issued a
26 tab for persons with disabilities renews his or her special
27 registration plate under this section, the secretary of state shall

1 issue a new tab for persons with disabilities to the disabled
2 ~~person~~, **VETERAN**, free of charge. The disabled ~~person~~ **VETERAN** shall
3 not be required to again furnish the proof required under
4 subsection ~~(6)~~ **(7)**.

5 **(10)** ~~(9)~~—The use of the special registration plate or a tab
6 for persons with disabilities on a motor vehicle other than the
7 motor vehicle for which the special registration plate is issued,
8 or by a person who does not qualify under this section, is a
9 misdemeanor.

10 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect February
11 19, 2019.