

HOUSE BILL No. 4513

March 4, 2009, Introduced by Reps. Moore, Lund, Espinoza, Rick Jones, Polidori, Rogers and Stamas and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

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 **OR A PERSON WHOSE**
3 **IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER IS A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN WITH AN**
4 **HONORABLE DISCHARGE FROM THE ARMED SERVICES** may make an application
5 to the secretary of state if he or she owns a private passenger
6 motor vehicle, and the secretary of state may issue ~~a~~ **1 OR MORE**
7 special registration ~~plate which~~ **PLATES TO EACH APPLICANT THAT**
8 shall be inscribed with special identification numbers preceded by
9 the letters "DV" and shall have the words "disabled veteran"

1 inscribed beneath the registration number. For the purposes of this
2 section: ~~7~~ "private

3 (A) "IMMEDIATE FAMILY" MEANS A SPOUSE, PARENT, CHILD, OR
4 SIBLING RESIDING IN THAT PERSON'S HOUSEHOLD.

5 (B) "PRIVATE passenger motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle
6 ~~which~~ THAT is personally owned by the disabled veteran OR HIS OR
7 HER IMMEDIATE FAMILY and is used for the primary purpose of
8 transporting the disabled veteran and family members of the
9 disabled veteran, but does not include a motor home.

10 (2) Application for the special registration plate shall be on
11 a form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be
12 accompanied by a service fee of \$5.00 and proof that the applicant
13 OR THE APPLICANT'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER was honorably discharged
14 from the armed services and either 1 of the following:

15 (a) That the applicant OR HIS OR HER IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER
16 has been determined by the veterans' administration of the federal
17 government to have a service-connected total or permanent total
18 disability rating for compensation.

19 (b) That the applicant OR HIS OR HER IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER
20 has been determined to have a service-connected total or permanent
21 total disability rating and is receiving disability retirement pay
22 from a branch of the uniformed armed services.

23 (3) A special registration issued TO A DISABLED VETERAN under
24 this section is exempt from payment of the tax provided in section
25 801. A SPECIAL REGISTRATION ISSUED TO AN IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER OF
26 A DISABLED VETERAN UNDER THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO THE TAX
27 PROVIDED IN SECTION 801 OR A TAX TO BE DETERMINED BY THE SECRETARY

1 **OF STATE, AT THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S DISCRETION.**

2 (4) The special registration plate shall expire on the
3 birthday of the ~~disabled veteran~~ **PERSON APPLYING FOR THE SPECIAL**
4 **REGISTRATION PLATE** in a year in which new plates are issued by the
5 secretary of state. Application for renewal of the special
6 registration plate shall be accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee. The
7 applicant **OR THE APPLICANT'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER** shall not be
8 required to furnish the proof provided in subsection (2).

9 (5) The secretary of state may issue to a disabled person **OR**
10 **HIS OR HER IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER** who has been issued a special
11 registration plate under this section a tab for persons with
12 disabilities. The tab for persons with disabilities shall be an
13 adhesive tab displaying the international wheelchair symbol or a
14 reasonable facsimile of that symbol. The tab for persons with
15 disabilities may be attached only to the special registration plate
16 issued to the disabled person **OR HIS OR HER IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER**
17 under this section.

18 (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 **OR HIS OR HER IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER** is a disabled person as is
22 required for issuance of a permanent windshield placard under
23 section 675.

24 (7) The tab for persons with disabilities shall be issued free
25 of charge.

26 (8) When a disabled person **OR HIS OR HER IMMEDIATE FAMILY**
27 **MEMBER** who has been issued a tab for persons with disabilities

1 renews his or her special registration plate under this section,
2 the secretary of state shall issue a new tab for persons with
3 disabilities to the disabled person, free of charge. The disabled
4 person **OR HIS OR HER IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER** shall not be required
5 to again furnish the proof required under subsection (6).

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