

HOUSE BILL NO. 5228

November 07, 2019, Introduced by Reps. Camilleri, Haadsma, Ellison, Kennedy, Sowerby, Koleszar, Pohutsky, Love, Manoogian, Clemente, Sabo, Hope, Lasinski, Tate, Anthony, Shannon, Coleman, Brixie, Sneller, Bolden, Tyrone Carter, Wittenberg, Yancey, Whitsett, Hammoud and Jones 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 2018 PA 681.

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~~ **apply** to the secretary of state if he or she owns ~~a~~ **1**
4 **or more** private passenger motor ~~vehicle,~~ **vehicles,** and the
5 secretary of state may issue ~~a~~ **no more than 5** special registration



1 ~~plate~~**plates** inscribed with special identification numbers preceded
2 by the letters "DV" and the words "disabled veteran" ~~inscribed~~
3 beneath the registration number. For the purposes of this section,
4 "private passenger motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is
5 personally owned by the disabled veteran and is used for the
6 primary purpose of transporting the disabled veteran and family
7 members of the disabled veteran, but does not include a motor home.

8 (2) Application for the special registration plate must be on
9 a form prescribed by the secretary of state and must be accompanied
10 by a service fee of \$5.00 **per plate** and proof that the applicant
11 was honorably discharged from the armed services and either 1 of
12 the following:

13 (a) That the applicant has been determined by the United
14 States Department of Veterans Affairs to have a service-connected
15 total or permanent total disability rating for compensation.

16 (b) That the applicant has been determined to have a service-
17 connected total or permanent total disability rating and is
18 receiving disability retirement pay from a branch of the uniformed
19 armed services.

20 (3) ~~A~~**Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a**
21 special registration issued under this section is exempt from
22 payment of the tax provided in section 801. **An individual who**
23 **obtains more than 1 special registration plate as provided in**
24 **subsection (1) shall pay the tax provided in section 801 for the**
25 **second and each subsequent plate.**

26 (4) The special registration plate expires on the birthday of
27 the disabled veteran in a year in which new plates are issued by
28 the secretary of state. Application for renewal of the special
29 registration plate must be accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee **per**



1 **plate.** The applicant ~~shall~~**is** not ~~be~~ required to furnish the proof
2 provided in subsection (2).

3 (5) The surviving spouse of a person who is a totally disabled
4 veteran with an honorable discharge from the armed services may use
5 a special registration plate issued under this section after the
6 death of the totally disabled veteran and may renew a special
7 registration plate issued under this section after the death of the
8 totally disabled veteran in the same manner as provided under this
9 section for a totally disabled veteran. If applicable, a surviving
10 spouse shall apply for registration of the vehicle upon which he or
11 she wishes to place the disabled veteran plate before using or
12 renewing the plate as described in this section.

13 (6) The secretary of state may issue to a disabled person who
14 has been issued ~~a~~**1 or more** special registration ~~plate~~**plates** under
15 this section a tab for persons with disabilities **for each plate.**
16 The tab for persons with disabilities must be an adhesive tab
17 displaying the international wheelchair symbol or a reasonable
18 facsimile of that symbol. The tab for persons with disabilities may
19 be attached only to ~~the~~**a** special registration plate issued to the
20 disabled person under this section.

21 (7) An application for a tab for persons with disabilities
22 shall be on a form prescribed by the secretary of state. The
23 secretary of state shall require the same proof that the applicant
24 is a disabled person as is required for issuance of a permanent
25 windshield placard under section 675. If the surviving spouse of a
26 totally disabled veteran is a disabled person, he or she may apply
27 to the secretary of state for a tab for persons with disabilities
28 in the same manner as provided for a totally disabled veteran under
29 this subsection.



1 (8) The tab for persons with disabilities must be issued free
2 of charge.

3 (9) When a disabled person who has been issued a tab for
4 persons with disabilities renews ~~his or her~~ **1 or more** special
5 registration ~~plate~~ **plates** under this section, the secretary of
6 state shall issue a new tab for persons with disabilities **for each**
7 **plate** to the disabled person, free of charge. The disabled person
8 ~~shall~~ **is** not ~~be~~ required to again furnish the proof required under
9 subsection (7).

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

14 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
15 after the date it is enacted into law.

