CHAPTER 1067

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WINDSHIELD PARKING PLACARDS

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AN ACT relating to the issuance of persons with disabilities removable windshield parking placards, and including effective date and applicability provisions.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 321L.2, subsection 1, paragraph a, subparagraph (3), Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

(3) Removable windshield placard.

(a) A person with a disability may apply for a temporary removable windshield placard which shall be valid for a period of up to six months or a nonexpiring standard removable windshield placard valid for a period of five years, as determined by the physician's, physician assistant's, nurse practitioner's, or chiropractor's statement under this subsection.

(i) A temporary removable windshield placard shall be renewed within thirty days of the date of expiration. Persons seeking temporary removable windshield placards shall be required to furnish evidence upon initial application that they have a temporary disability and, in addition, furnish evidence at subsequent intervals that they remain temporarily disabled. Temporary removable windshield placards shall be of a distinctively different color from nonexpiring standard removable windshield placards.

(ii) A nonexpiring standard removable windshield placard shall state on the face of the placard that it is a nonexpiring placard expire on the last day of the month five years from the date of issuance. A person with a disability may renew a standard removable windshield placard within thirty days before or after the date of expiration by submitting a statement from a physician, physician's assistant, nurse practitioner, or chiropractor, as provided in this subsection, to the department that the person has a continuing need for the placard.

(b) The department shall issue one additional removable windshield placard upon the request of a person with a disability.

Sec. 2. Section 321L.2, subsection 4, Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

4. A removable windshield placard shall only be displayed when the vehicle is parked in a persons with disabilities parking space. <u>The removable windshield placard shall be displayed in a manner that allows the entire placard to be visible through the vehicle's windshield.</u>

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICABILITY. This Act takes effect January 1, 2017, and applies to persons with disabilities placards issued on or after that date. This Act does not affect the validity of nonexpiring persons with disabilities placards issued prior to January 1, 2017.

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