

CHAPTER 1111

DRIVER'S LICENSES — VETERAN STATUS — DISABILITY CERTIFICATION

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AN ACT relating to the issuance of driver's licenses marked to reflect veteran status and providing for the acceptance of a disability certification from the United States department of veterans affairs for a persons with disabilities parking permit.

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

Section 1. Section 321.189, subsection 8, Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

8. *Veterans status.* A licensee who is an honorably discharged veteran of the armed forces of the United States may request that the license be marked to reflect the licensee's veteran status. Upon such a request, the word "VETERAN" shall be marked prominently on the face of the license. Such a license shall be issued only upon receipt of satisfactory proof of veteran status pursuant to procedures established by the department in consultation with the department of veterans affairs, or upon presentation of the licensee's certification of release or discharge from active duty, DD form 214, to the department at the time of the licensee's request, if the form indicates the licensee was honorably discharged. If the license is issued upon presentation of the licensee's certification of release or discharge from active duty, DD form 214, the department shall notify the commission of veteran affairs of the county of the licensee's residence that the licensee was issued a license marked to reflect the licensee's veteran status. After receiving notification from the department, the commission shall initiate contact with the licensee.

Sec. 2. Section 321L.2, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

A resident of the state with a disability desiring a persons with disabilities parking permit shall apply to the department upon an application form furnished by the department providing the applicant's full legal name, address, date of birth, and social security number or Iowa driver's license number or Iowa nonoperator's identification card number, and shall also provide a statement from a physician licensed under [chapter 148](#) or [149](#), a physician assistant licensed under [chapter 148C](#), an advanced registered nurse practitioner licensed under [chapter 152](#), or a chiropractor licensed under [chapter 151](#), or a physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or chiropractor licensed to practice in a contiguous state, written on the physician's, physician assistant's, nurse practitioner's, or chiropractor's stationery, stating the nature of the applicant's disability and such additional information as required by rules adopted by the department under [section 321L.8](#). If the person is applying for a temporary persons with disabilities parking permit, the physician's, physician assistant's, nurse practitioner's, or chiropractor's statement shall state the period of time during which the person is expected to be disabled and the period of time for which the permit should be issued, not to exceed six months. The department may waive the requirement that the applicant furnish the applicant's social security number, Iowa driver's license number, or nonoperator's identification card number when the application for a temporary persons with disabilities parking permit is made on behalf of a person who is less than one year old. The department may accept a certification of disability from the United States department of veterans affairs in lieu of a statement from a physician, physician assistant, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or chiropractor. The department may adopt rules pursuant to [chapter 17A](#) detailing the requirements for an acceptable certification of disability.

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