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SYNOPSIS

Establishes that “100 percent Disabled Veterans” are not required to submit to MVC certain documentation to renew parking privileges.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As amended by the Assembly on November 21, 2022.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/20/2023)

1 AN ACT concerning parking for persons with a disability and
2 amending P.L.1949, c.280.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 2 of P.L.1949, c. 280 (C.39:4-205) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 2. The Chief Administrator of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle
10 Commission shall issue, at the expense of the State of New Jersey,
11 person with a disability identification cards upon the application of
12 qualifying persons with disabilities and after an investigation of the
13 qualifying status of each applicant. The card shall, amongst other
14 things, identify the persons with disabilities and the registration
15 number of the vehicle for which any wheelchair symbol license
16 plates have been issued under the provisions of section 3 of
17 P.L.1949, c.280 (C.39:4-206) and shall state that he is a person with
18 a disability validly qualified to receive a card, that the card is for
19 the exclusive use of the person to whom it has been duly issued, is
20 nontransferable and will be forfeited if presented by any other
21 person, and that any abuse of any privilege, benefit, precedence, or
22 consideration granted to any person to whom the card may be
23 issued will be sufficient cause for revocation of the card,
24 corresponding windshield placard and wheelchair symbol license
25 plates, and the same may be forfeited or revoked accordingly, and
26 in the absence of forfeiture or revocation the card shall be valid
27 until the last day of the 36th calendar month following the calendar
28 month in which that card was issued.

29 Every application for the issuance or renewal of a person with a
30 disability identification card shall contain a statement signed by a
31 physician, podiatrist, chiropractic physician, physician assistant, or
32 nurse practitioner licensed to practice in this State or a bordering
33 state or a physician stationed at a military or naval installation
34 located in this State who is licensed to practice in any state,
35 certifying that the applicant's stated disability qualifies the applicant
36 to meet the definition of "person with a disability" pursuant to
37 section 1 of P.L.1949, c.280 (C.39:4-204).

38 A person who qualifies as a veteran with a permanent disability
39 pursuant to subsection b. of section 1 of P.L.1949, c.280 (C.39:4-
40 204) may submit, in lieu of a statement signed by a certified
41 medical professional, an ¹**[initial]** application that contains a
42 statement signed by a representative of the United States
43 Department of Veterans Affairs certifying that the person is
44 permanently 100 percent disabled. A person who qualifies as a
45 veteran with a 100 percent disability shall not be required to

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly floor amendments adopted November 21, 2022.

1 resubmit the statement issued by a representative of the United
2 States Department of Veteran Affairs ¹if the Chief Administrator
3 has previously scanned and retained the statement, and the
4 statement is legible and accessible at the time of renewal. The
5 Chief Administrator may request an additional statement if the
6 Chief Administrator is advised that there has been a change in the
7 person's status as a veteran with a 100 percent disability **【with a**
8 **renewal application】**¹ .

9 In order to be approved, the application for a person with a
10 disability identification card shall be submitted to the commission
11 not more than 60 days following the date upon which a physician,
12 podiatrist, chiropractic physician, physician assistant, nurse
13 practitioner, or representative of the United States Department of
14 Veterans Affairs certifies that the applicant meets the definition of
15 "person with a disability" pursuant to section 1 of P.L.1949, c.280
16 (C.39:4-204). The application shall also include any additional
17 information pertinent to the certification which the chief
18 administrator, in the chief administrator's discretion, may require,
19 including, but not limited to, the National Provider Identifier or
20 state-issued licensing number of the physician, podiatrist,
21 chiropractic physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner
22 who certifies the applicant's eligibility for a person with a disability
23 identification card.

24 (cf: P.L.2017, c.166, s.2)

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26 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the **1【third】 15th**¹
27 month next following enactment, except the Chief Administrator of
28 the Motor Vehicle Commission may take any anticipatory
29 administrative action in advance as shall be necessary for the
30 implementation of this act.