

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JUNE 29, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for
3 issuance and content of driver's license.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 1510 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
8 § 1510. Issuance and content of driver's license.

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10 (a.2) Person with disability.--

11 (1) A person with a disability who ~~applies for or renews~~ <--
12 a driver's license or identification card and meets the
13 qualifications of section 1338(a)(1), (2), (3), (4), (5),
14 (6), (7) or (8) (relating to person with disability plate and
15 placard) or ~~1342(a), (b) or (c) (relating to veteran plates~~ <--
16 ~~and placard)~~ IS A VETERAN WHOSE SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY <--
17 IS CERTIFIED AT 100% BY THE SERVICE UNIT OF THE ARMED FORCES

1 IN WHICH THE VETERAN SERVED OR BY THE UNITED STATES VETERANS'
2 ADMINISTRATION OR WHO HAS A SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY OF
3 THE TYPE ENUMERATED IN SECTION 1338 may request that the
4 department issue a driver's license or identification card
5 using the most recent color photograph or photographic
6 facsimile and signature or facsimile of the signature of the
7 person with a disability in the department's possession.

8 (2) The department may not issue a driver's license or
9 identification card to the person with a disability if there
10 is no color photograph or photographic facsimile or signature
11 or facsimile of the signature of the person with a disability
12 in the department's possession. The department may require
13 additional information or documentation necessary to comply
14 with this subsection.

15 (3) THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT ISSUE A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR <--
16 IDENTIFICATION CARD TO THE PERSON WITH A DISABILITY IF
17 MATERIAL CHANGES NEED TO BE MADE TO THE PERSON'S RECORD,
18 INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, CHANGE OF NAME OR A CORRECTION
19 OF INFORMATION SUCH AS HEIGHT OR EYE COLOR, WHICH SHALL BE
20 MADE IN PERSON.

21 (4) THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT ISSUE A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR
22 IDENTIFICATION CARD THAT COMPLIES WITH THE ACT OF MAY 26,
23 2017 (P.L.6, NO.3), KNOWN AS THE PENNSYLVANIA REAL ID
24 COMPLIANCE ACT, TO THE PERSON WITH A DISABILITY IF THE COLOR
25 PHOTOGRAPH OR PHOTOGRAPHIC FACSIMILE OF THE PERSON WITH A
26 DISABILITY IN THE DEPARTMENT'S POSSESSION IS:

27 (I) OVER SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE; OR

28 (II) WILL BE OVER SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE AT THE NEXT,
29 FOUR-YEAR RENEWAL INTERVAL REQUIRED BY SECTION 1514
30 (RELATING TO EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL OF DRIVERS'

1 LICENSES).

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3 Section 2. This act shall take effect in ~~60 days~~ 28 MONTHS. <--