HOUSE BILL No. 5258

January 28, 2014, Introduced by Reps. Townsend, Franz, Santana, Zorn, Darany, Slavens, Banks, Yanez, Kurtz, Haines, Muxlow, Callton, Pettalia, Lori, Crawford, Outman, Knezek, Segal, Rutledge, Potvin, MacMaster and Kosowski and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending section 803f (MCL 257.803f), as amended by 1998 PA 68.

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 to the secretary of state if he or she owns a private 4 passenger motor vehicle, and the secretary of state may issue a 5 special registration plate which shall be inscribed with special identification numbers preceded by the letters "DV" and shall have 7 the words "disabled veteran" inscribed beneath the registration 8 number. For the purposes of AS USED IN this section, "private 9 passenger motor vehicle means a motor vehicle which THAT is personally owned by the A disabled veteran and is used for the 10 11 primary purpose of transporting the disabled veteran and HIS OR HER

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- 1 family members, of the disabled veteran, but does not include a
- 2 motor home.
- 3 (2) Application—AN APPLICATION for the special registration
- 4 plate DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) shall be on a form prescribed by
- 5 the secretary of state —and shall be accompanied by a service fee
- 6 of \$5.00 and proof that the applicant was honorably discharged from
- 7 the armed services and either 1 of the following:
- 8 (a) That—IF THE APPLICANT IS A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN, THAT
- 9 the applicant has been determined by the veterans' administration
- 10 of the federal government to have a service-connected total or
- 11 permanent total disability rating for compensation.
- 12 (b) That—IF THE APPLICANT IS A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN, THAT
- 13 the applicant has been determined to have a service-connected total
- 14 or permanent total disability rating and is receiving disability
- 15 retirement pay from a branch of the uniformed armed services.
- 16 (C) IF THE APPLICANT IS A PARTIALLY DISABLED VETERAN, THAT THE
- 17 APPLICANT HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO HAVE A SERVICE-CONNECTED
- 18 DISABILITY RATING.
- 19 (3) A special registration issued under this section is exempt
- 20 from payment of the tax provided FOR in section 801.
- 21 (4) The A special registration plate shall expire ISSUED UNDER
- 22 THIS SECTION EXPIRES on the birthday of the disabled veteran in a
- 23 year in which new plates are issued by the secretary of state.
- 24 Application for renewal of the special registration plate shall be
- 25 accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee. The applicant shall not be
- 26 required to furnish the proof provided in subsection (2).
- 27 (5) The IF APPLICABLE, THE secretary of state may issue to a

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- 1 disabled person VETERAN who has been issued a special registration
- 2 plate under this section a tab for persons with disabilities. The
- 3 tab for persons with disabilities shall be an adhesive tab
- 4 displaying the international wheelchair symbol or a reasonable
- 5 facsimile of that symbol. The tab for persons with disabilities may
- 6 be attached only to the special registration plate issued to the
- 7 disabled person_VETERAN under this section.
- 8 (6) An application for a tab for persons with disabilities
- 9 shall be on a form prescribed by the secretary of state. The
- 10 secretary of state shall require the same proof that the applicant
- 11 is a disabled person as is required for issuance of a permanent
- 12 windshield placard under section 675.
- 13 (7) The A tab for persons with disabilities ISSUED UNDER
- 14 SUBSECTION (5) shall be issued free of charge.
- 15 (8) When a disabled person VETERAN who has been issued a tab
- 16 for persons with disabilities renews his or her special
- 17 registration plate under this section, the secretary of state shall
- 18 issue a new tab for persons with disabilities to the disabled
- 19 person, VETERAN, free of charge. The disabled person VETERAN shall
- 20 not be required to again furnish the proof required under
- 21 subsection (6).
- 22 (9) The use of the special registration plate or a tab for
- 23 persons with disabilities on a motor vehicle other than the motor
- 24 vehicle for which the special registration plate is issued, or by a
- 25 person who does not qualify under this section, is a misdemeanor.