## **HOUSE BILL No. 4673**

May 30, 2017, Introduced by Reps. Camilleri, Pagan, Guerra, Elder, Lucido, Hughes, Hertel, Singh and Hammoud 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-1 OR MORE
- 4 private passenger motor vehicle, VEHICLES, and the secretary of
- 5 state may issue a NO MORE THAN 5 special registration plate PLATES,
- 5 which shall be inscribed with special identification numbers
- preceded by the letters "DV" and shall have the words "disabled
- 8 veteran" inscribed beneath the registration number. For the
- 9 purposes of this section, "private passenger motor vehicle" means a

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- 1 motor vehicle which is personally owned by the disabled veteran and
- 2 is used for the primary purpose of transporting the disabled
- 3 veteran and family members of the disabled veteran, but does not
- 4 include a motor home.
- 5 (2) Application for the special registration plate shall be on
- 6 a form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be
- 7 accompanied by a service fee of \$5.00 PER PLATE and proof that the
- 8 applicant was honorably discharged from the armed services and
- 9 either 1 of the following:
- 10 (a) That the applicant has been determined by the veterans'
- 11 administration of the federal government to have a service-
- 12 connected total or permanent total disability rating for
- 13 compensation.
- 14 (b) That the applicant has been determined to have a service-
- 15 connected total or permanent total disability rating and is
- 16 receiving disability retirement pay from a branch of the uniformed
- 17 armed services.
- 18 (3) A-EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, A
- 19 special registration issued under this section is exempt from
- 20 payment of the tax provided in section 801. AN INDIVIDUAL WHO
- 21 OBTAINS MORE THAN 1 SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE AS PROVIDED IN
- 22 SUBSECTION (1) SHALL PAY THE TAX PROVIDED IN SECTION 801 FOR THE
- 23 SECOND AND EACH SUBSEQUENT PLATE.
- 24 (4) The special registration plate shall expire EXPIRES on the
- 25 birthday of the disabled veteran in a year in which new plates are
- 26 issued by the secretary of state. Application for renewal of the
- 27 special registration plate shall be accompanied by a \$5.00 service

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

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- 1 person who does not qualify under this section, is a misdemeanor.
- 2 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 3 after the date it is enacted into law.