

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 242—COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON SENIOR CITIZENS, VETERANS, AND ADULTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS)

MARCH 13, 2013

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Authorizes the placement of a designation of veteran status on certain documents issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles. (BDR 43-145)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets **[omitted material]** is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; authorizing a person who has been honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States to obtain a designation on his or her instruction permit, driver's license or identification card indicating that he or she is a veteran; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to place a designation on the instruction permit, driver's license or identification card of certain persons, including persons with a disability which impairs or limits the ability to walk. (NRS 483.349, 483.865) Existing law also requires the Department to inquire whether a person wishes to declare that he or she is a veteran when applying for an instruction permit, driver's license or identification card. (NRS 483.292, 483.852)

Sections 5 and 6 of this bill require that a person who: (1) applies to the Department for the initial issuance or renewal of an instruction permit, driver's license or identification card; and (2) requests to have imprinted on that permit, license or card a designation that he or she is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States provide evidence satisfactory to the Department indicating that he or she was honorably discharged from the Armed Forces. If such a person fulfills the requirements of section 5 or 6, as applicable, sections 2 and 3 of this bill require the Department to place a designation that the person is a veteran on the person's instruction permit, driver's license or identification card, as appropriate.



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 483 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.

3 **Sec. 2. 1. Upon the application of a person who requests
4 that his or her instruction permit or driver's license indicate that
5 he or she is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States
6 pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 483.292, and who satisfies the
7 requirements of that subsection, the Department shall place on
8 any instruction permit or driver's license issued to the person
9 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter a designation that the
10 person is a veteran.**

11 **2. The Director shall determine the design and placement of
12 the designation of veteran status required by subsection 1 on any
13 instruction permit or driver's license to which this section applies.**

14 **Sec. 3. 1. Upon the application of a person who requests
15 that his or her identification card indicate that he or she is a
16 veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States pursuant to
17 subsection 3 of NRS 483.852, and who satisfies the requirements
18 of that subsection, the Department shall place on any
19 identification card issued to the person pursuant to this section
20 and NRS 483.810 to 483.890, inclusive, a designation that the
21 person is a veteran.**

22 **2. The Director shall determine the design and placement of
23 the designation of veteran status required by subsection 1 on any
24 identification card to which this section applies.**

25 **Sec. 4.** NRS 483.015 is hereby amended to read as follows:

26 483.015 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 483.330, the
27 provisions of NRS 483.010 to 483.630, inclusive, **and section 2 of
28 this act** apply only with respect to noncommercial drivers' licenses.

29 **Sec. 5.** NRS 483.292 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 483.292 1. When a person applies to the Department for **the
31 initial issuance of** an instruction permit or driver's license pursuant
32 to NRS 483.290 **H or the renewal of an instruction permit or
33 driver's license,** the Department shall inquire whether the person
34 desires to declare that he or she is a veteran of the Armed Forces of
35 the United States.

36 2. If the person desires to declare pursuant to subsection 1 that
37 he or she is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States, the
38 person shall provide evidence satisfactory to the Department that he
39 or she has been honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the
40 United States.

41 3. **In addition to the declaration described in subsection 1, a
42 person who is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States**



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1 *may request that his or her instruction permit or driver's license*
2 *have imprinted the designation described in section 2 of this act. A*
3 *person who submits a request pursuant to this subsection must*
4 *provide evidence satisfactory to the Department that he or she has*
5 *been honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United*
6 *States. The evidence described in this subsection may, at the*
7 *discretion of the Department, be the same evidence used to satisfy*
8 *the requirement in subsection 2.*

9 4. If the person declares pursuant to subsection 1 that he or she
10 is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States, the
11 Department shall count the declaration and maintain it only
12 numerically in a record kept by the Department for that purpose.

13 ~~4.~~ 5. The Department shall, at least once each quarter:

14 (a) Compile the aggregate number of persons who have, during
15 the immediately preceding quarter, declared pursuant to subsection
16 1 that they are veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States;
17 and

18 (b) Transmit that number to the Office of Veterans' Services to
19 be used for statistical purposes.

20 Sec. 6. NRS 483.852 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 483.852 1. When a person applies to the Department for *the*
22 *initial issuance of* an identification card pursuant to NRS 483.850
23 ~~H~~ or *the renewal of an identification card pursuant to NRS*
24 *483.875*, the Department shall inquire whether the person desires to
25 declare that he or she is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United
26 States.

27 2. If the person desires to declare pursuant to subsection 1 that
28 he or she is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States, the
29 person shall provide evidence satisfactory to the Department that he
30 or she has been honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the
31 United States.

32 3. *In addition to the declaration described in subsection 1, a*
33 *person who is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States*
34 *may request that his or her identification card have imprinted the*
35 *designation described in section 3 of this act. A person who*
36 *submits a request pursuant to this subsection must provide*
37 *evidence satisfactory to the Department that he or she has been*
38 *honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States.*
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40 *the Department, be the same evidence used to satisfy the*
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