

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; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles, on a monthly basis, to submit to the Office of Veterans Services a list of persons who have declared that they are veterans of the Armed Forces; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to place a designation
2 on the instruction permit, driver's license or identification card of certain persons,
3 including persons with a disability which impairs or limits the ability to walk. (NRS
4 483.349, 483.865) Existing law also requires the Department to inquire whether a
5 person wishes to declare that he or she is a veteran when applying for an instruction
6 permit, driver's license or identification card. (NRS 483.292, 483.852)

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



14 the Department to place a designation that the person is a veteran on the person's
15 instruction permit, driver's license or identification card, as appropriate. **Sections 5**
16 **and 6** also require the Department to compile and submit to the Office of Veterans
17 Services each month a list of persons who have declared that they are veterans of
18 the Armed Forces.

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.



1 2. If the person desires to declare pursuant to subsection 1 that
2 he or she is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States, the
3 person shall provide ~~{evidence}~~ :

4 (a) *Evidence* satisfactory to the Department that he or she has
5 been honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United
6 States ~~{}~~ ; and

7 (b) *A written release authorizing the Department to provide to*
8 *the Office of Veterans Services personal information about the*
9 *person, which release must be signed by the person and in a form*
10 *required by the Director pursuant to NRS 481.063.*

11 3. *In addition to the declaration described in subsection 1, a*
12 *person who is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States*
13 *may request that his or her instruction permit or driver's license*
14 *have imprinted the designation described in section 2 of this act. A*
15 *person who submits a request pursuant to this subsection must*
16 *provide evidence satisfactory to the Department that he or she has*
17 *been honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United*
18 *States. The evidence described in this subsection may, at the*
19 *discretion of the Department, be the same evidence used to satisfy*
20 *the requirement in paragraph (a) of subsection 2.*

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

25 ~~{}~~ 5. The Department shall, at least once each ~~{quarter}~~
26 *month*:

27 (a) Compile ~~{the aggregate number}~~ *a list* of persons who have,
28 during the immediately preceding ~~{quarter}~~ *month*, declared
29 pursuant to subsection 1 that they are veterans of the Armed Forces
30 of the United States; and

31 (b) Transmit that ~~{number}~~ *list* to the Office of Veterans
32 Services to be used for statistical *and communication* purposes.

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

34 483.852 1. When a person applies to the Department for *the*
35 *initial issuance of* an identification card pursuant to NRS 483.850
36 ~~{}~~ *or the renewal of an identification card pursuant to NRS*
37 *483.875*, the Department shall inquire whether the person desires to
38 declare that he or she is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United
39 States.

40 2. If the person desires to declare pursuant to subsection 1 that
41 he or she is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States, the
42 person shall provide ~~{evidence}~~ :

43 (a) *Evidence* satisfactory to the Department that he or she has
44 been honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United
45 States ~~{}~~ ; and



1 (b) *A written release authorizing the Department to provide to*
2 *the Office of Veterans Services personal information about the*
3 *person, which release must be signed by the person and in a form*
4 *required by the Director pursuant to NRS 481.063.*

5 3. *In addition to the declaration described in subsection 1, a*
6 *person who is a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States*
7 *may request that his or her identification card have imprinted the*
8 *designation described in section 3 of this act. A person who*
9 *submits a request pursuant to this subsection must provide*
10 *evidence satisfactory to the Department that he or she has been*
11 *honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States.*
12 *The evidence described in this subsection may, at the discretion of*
13 *the Department, be the same evidence used to satisfy the*
14 *requirement in paragraph (a) of subsection 2.*

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

19 ~~4~~ 5. The Department shall, at least once each ~~quarter~~
20 ~~month~~:

21 (a) Compile ~~the aggregate number~~ a list of persons who have,
22 during the immediately preceding ~~quarter~~ month, declared
23 pursuant to subsection 1 that they are veterans of the Armed Forces
24 of the United States; and

25 (b) Transmit that ~~number~~ list to the Office of Veterans
26 Services to be used for statistical *and communication* purposes.

