

# HOUSE BILL No. 6167

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A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 217d, 226, 312a, 314, 314b, 675, 803e, 803f, 803i, 803j, 803k, 803l, 803n, and 803o (MCL 257.217d, 257.226, 257.312a, 257.314, 257.314b, 257.675, 257.803e, 257.803f, 257.803i, 257.803j, 257.803k, 257.803l, 257.803n, and 257.803o), sections 217d and 226 as amended by 2003 PA 152, section 314 as amended by 2002 PA 554, section 314b as amended by 1991 PA 99, section 675 as amended by 2004 PA 151, section 803e as amended by 2003 PA 30, sections 803f and 803i as amended by 1998 PA 68, sections 803j, 803k, 803n, and 803o as amended by 1999 PA 183, and section 803l as amended by 2000 PA 77.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 217d. (1) The secretary of state shall design and may  
2 issue a special congressional medal of honor registration plate

1 for residents of this state awarded the congressional medal of  
2 honor.

3 (2) A special congressional medal of honor registration plate  
4 shall be issued only for 1 vehicle intended for personal use by  
5 the applicant.

6 (3) A person who is a recipient of the congressional medal of  
7 honor may apply to the secretary of state for a special  
8 registration plate under this section on a form prescribed by the  
9 secretary of state, which shall be accompanied by any proof of  
10 the applicant having been a congressional medal of honor  
11 recipient that the secretary of state may require. The secretary  
12 of state shall waive the \$5.00 service fee requirement under  
13 section 804.

14 (4) A person who qualifies to be issued a special  
15 registration plate under this section is entitled to only 1  
16 special registration plate issued under subsection (1) that is  
17 exempt from payment of the tax provided in section 801.

18 (5) A person with disabilities who applies for a special  
19 registration plate under this section shall be issued a tab for  
20 persons with disabilities as provided in section 803f for his or  
21 her special registration plate. The secretary of state shall  
22 require the same proof that the applicant is disabled as is  
23 required for issuance of a permanent windshield placard under  
24 section 675.

25 (6) A special registration plate issued under subsection (1)  
26 expires on the ~~birthday~~ **last day of the birth month** of the  
27 vehicle owner in a year in which new plates are issued by the

1 secretary of state.

2 (7) The secretary of state shall deliver or cause to be  
3 delivered 1 or more special registration plates issued under this  
4 section to the home address of the applicant at no additional  
5 cost to the applicant.

6 (8) The secretary of state shall develop and, upon  
7 application, may issue a Michigan veterans memorial registration  
8 plate to an applicant for use on the passenger motor vehicle,  
9 pickup truck, van, motor home, hearse, bus, trailer coach, or  
10 trailer for which the registration plate is issued instead of a  
11 standard registration plate. Michigan veterans memorial  
12 registration plates shall bear letters and numbers that the  
13 secretary of state prescribes. The plate shall be of a design as  
14 determined by the secretary of state. The word "Michigan" shall  
15 appear on each Michigan veterans memorial registration plate.

16 (9) An application for a Michigan veterans memorial  
17 registration plate shall be submitted to the secretary of state  
18 pursuant to the procedures prescribed in section 217.  
19 Application for an original or renewal Michigan veterans memorial  
20 registration plate shall be accompanied with payment of the  
21 ~~regular~~ vehicle registration tax **required under section 801** in  
22 addition to the following:

23 (a) For an original Michigan veterans memorial registration  
24 plate, a donation of \$25.00 and a service fee of not more than  
25 \$10.00, as determined by the secretary of state. The \$10.00  
26 service fee shall be deposited in the transportation  
27 administration collection fund created under section 810b.

1 (b) For a renewal Michigan veterans memorial registration  
2 plate, a donation of \$10.00.

3 (10) A Michigan veterans memorial registration plate shall  
4 expire as described in section 226. Upon the issuance or renewal  
5 of a Michigan veterans memorial registration plate, the secretary  
6 of state may issue a tab or tabs designating the month and year  
7 of expiration.

8 (11) The secretary of state may issue a temporary  
9 registration permit to a person who submits an application and  
10 the proper payments for a Michigan veterans memorial registration  
11 plate if the applicant's current vehicle registration will expire  
12 before his or her receipt of a Michigan veterans memorial  
13 registration plate. The temporary registration shall expire upon  
14 receipt of a Michigan veterans memorial registration plate or 60  
15 days after the issuance of a Michigan veterans memorial  
16 registration plate, whichever occurs first. The temporary permit  
17 shall be issued without a separate fee.

18 (12) Michigan veterans memorial registration plate service  
19 fees collected under this section by the secretary of state shall  
20 be identified and segregated by the secretary of state into a  
21 separate account. The secretary of state shall on a quarterly  
22 basis transfer all of the donations to the state treasurer who  
23 shall credit the donations to the Vietnam veterans memorial  
24 monument fund created in section 3 of the Michigan Vietnam  
25 veterans memorial act, 1988 PA 234, MCL 35.1053. These donations  
26 shall be used exclusively for the purposes described in sections  
27 5 and 7 of the Michigan Vietnam veterans memorial act, 1988 PA

1 234, MCL 35.1055 and 35.1057.

2 (13) For purposes of this section, "Michigan veterans  
3 memorial registration plate" means a registration plate  
4 containing a specialized design pertaining to Michigan veterans.

5 Sec. 226. (1) A vehicle registration issued by the  
6 secretary of state expires on the **last day of the** owner's  
7 ~~birthday~~ **birth month**, unless another expiration date is  
8 provided for under this act or unless the registration is for the  
9 following vehicles, in which case registration expires on the  
10 last day of February:

11 (a) A commercial vehicle except for a commercial vehicle  
12 issued a registration under the international registration plan  
13 or a pickup truck or van owned by an individual.

14 (b) Except for a trailer or semitrailer issued a registration  
15 under the international registration plan, a trailer or  
16 semitrailer owned by a business, corporation, or person other  
17 than an individual; or a pole trailer.

18 (2) The expiration date for a registration issued for a  
19 motorcycle is March 31.

20 (3) The expiration date for a registration bearing the  
21 letters "SEN" or "REP" is February 1.

22 (4) In the case of a vehicle owned by a business,  
23 corporation, or an owner other than an individual, the secretary  
24 of state may assign or reassign the expiration date of the  
25 registration.

26 (5) The secretary of state shall do all of the following:

27 (a) After the October 1 immediately preceding the year

1 designated on the registration, issue a registration upon  
2 application and payment of the proper fee for a commercial  
3 vehicle, other than a pickup or van owned by an individual; or a  
4 trailer owned by a business, corporation, or person other than an  
5 individual.

6 (b) Beginning 60 days before the expiration date assigned on  
7 an international registration plan registration plate, issue a  
8 registration under section 801g upon application and payment of  
9 the proper apportioned fee for a commercial vehicle engaged in  
10 interstate commerce.

11 (c) After the February 14 immediately preceding the year  
12 designated on a registration, issue a registration upon  
13 application and payment of the proper fee for a motorcycle.

14 (d) Beginning 45 days before the owner's birthday and 120  
15 days before the expiration date assigned by the secretary of  
16 state, issue a registration for a vehicle other than those  
17 designated in subsection (1)(a) or (b). However, if an owner  
18 whose registration period begins 45 days before his or her  
19 birthday will be out of the state during the 45 days immediately  
20 preceding expiration of a registration or for other good cause  
21 shown cannot apply for a renewal registration within the 45-day  
22 period, application for a renewal registration may be made not  
23 more than 6 months before expiration.

24 (6) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the  
25 secretary of state, upon application and payment of the proper  
26 fee, shall issue a registration for a vehicle to a resident that  
27 shall expire on the **last day of the** owner's ~~birthday~~ **birth**

1 **month.** If the owner's next birthday is at least 6 months but not  
2 more than 12 months in the future, the owner shall receive a  
3 registration valid until the **last day of the** owner's next  
4 ~~birthday~~ **birth month.** If the owner's next birthday is less  
5 than 6 months in the future, the owner shall receive a  
6 registration valid until the **last day of the** owner's ~~birthday~~  
7 **birth month** following the owner's next ~~birthday~~ **birth month.**  
8 The tax required under this act for a registration described in  
9 this subsection shall be either of the following:

10 (a) For an original registration, the tax shall bear the same  
11 relationship to the tax required under section 801 for a 12-month  
12 registration as the length of the registration bears to 12  
13 months.

14 (b) For a renewal of a registration, either of the  
15 following:

16 (i) For a registration that is for at least 6 months but not  
17 more than 12 months, the same amount as for 12 months.

18 (ii) For a renewal of a registration that is for more than 12  
19 months, 2 times the amount for 12 months. Partial months shall  
20 be considered as whole months in the calculation of the required  
21 tax and in the determination of the length of time between the  
22 application for a registration and the **last day of the** owner's  
23 next ~~birthday~~ **birth month.** The tax required for that  
24 registration shall be rounded off to whole dollars as provided in  
25 section 801.

26 (7) A certificate of title shall remain valid until canceled  
27 by the secretary of state for cause or upon a transfer of an

1 interest shown on the certificate of title.

2 (8) The secretary of state, upon request, shall issue special  
3 registration for commercial vehicles, valid for 6 months after  
4 the date of issue, if the full registration fee exceeds \$50.00,  
5 on the payment of 1/2 the full registration fee and a service  
6 charge as enumerated in section 802(1).

7 (9) The secretary of state may issue a special registration  
8 for each of the following:

9 (a) A new vehicle purchased or leased outside of this state  
10 and delivered in this state to the purchaser or lessee by the  
11 manufacturer of that vehicle for removal to a place outside of  
12 this state, if a certification is made that the vehicle will be  
13 primarily used, stored, and registered outside of this state and  
14 will not be returned to this state by the purchaser or lessee for  
15 use or storage.

16 (b) A vehicle purchased or leased in this state and delivered  
17 to the purchaser or lessee by a dealer or by the owner of the  
18 vehicle for removal to a place outside of this state, if a  
19 certification is made that the vehicle will be primarily used,  
20 stored, and registered outside of this state and will not be  
21 returned to this state by the purchaser or lessee for use or  
22 storage.

23 (10) A special registration issued under subsection (9) is  
24 valid for not more than 14 days after the date of issuance, and a  
25 fee shall be collected for each special registration as provided  
26 in section 802(3). The special registration may be in the form  
27 determined by the secretary of state. If a dealer makes a retail

1 sale or lease of a vehicle to a purchaser or lessee who is  
2 qualified and eligible to obtain a special registration, the  
3 dealer shall apply for the special registration for the purchaser  
4 or lessee. If a person other than a dealer sells or leases a  
5 vehicle to a purchaser or lessee who is qualified and eligible to  
6 obtain a special registration, the purchaser or lessee shall  
7 appear in person, or by a person exercising the purchaser's or  
8 lessee's power of attorney, at an office of the secretary of  
9 state and furnish a certification that the person is the bona  
10 fide purchaser or lessee or that the person has granted the power  
11 of attorney, together with other forms required for the issuance  
12 of the special registration and provide the secretary of state  
13 with proof that the vehicle is covered by a Michigan no-fault  
14 insurance policy issued pursuant to section 3101 of the insurance  
15 code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3101, or proof that the  
16 vehicle is covered by a policy of insurance issued by an insurer  
17 pursuant to section 3163 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956  
18 PA 218, MCL 500.3163. The certification required in this  
19 subsection shall contain all of the following:

20 (a) The address of the purchaser or lessee.

21 (b) A statement that the vehicle is purchased or leased for  
22 registration outside of this state.

23 (c) A statement that the vehicle shall be primarily used,  
24 stored, and registered outside of this state.

25 (d) The name of the jurisdiction in which the vehicle is to  
26 be registered.

27 (e) Other information requested by the secretary of state.

1           (11) Upon request, the secretary of state may issue a  
2 registration valid for 6 months after the date of issuance for  
3 use on a trailer or semitrailer weighing 1,500 pounds or less and  
4 that is used for recreational purposes, upon payment of 1/2 the  
5 full registration fee imposed under section 801(1)(l). This  
6 subsection does not apply after October 1, 2003.

7           (12) In the case of a commercial vehicle, trailer, or  
8 semitrailer issued a registration under the international  
9 registration plan, the secretary of state in mutual agreement  
10 with the owner may assign or reassign the expiration date of the  
11 registration. However, the expiration date agreed to shall be  
12 either March 31, June 30, September 30, or December 31. Renewals  
13 expiring on or after September 30, 1993 shall be for a minimum of  
14 at least 12 months if there is a change in the established  
15 expiration date.

16           (13) The expiration date for a multiyear registration issued  
17 for a leased vehicle shall be the date the lease expires but  
18 shall not be for a period longer than 24 months.

19           Sec. 312a. (1) A person, before operating a motorcycle upon  
20 a public street or highway in this state, shall procure a  
21 motorcycle indorsement on the operator's or chauffeur's license.  
22 The license shall be issued, suspended, revoked, canceled, or  
23 renewed in accordance with and governed by this act.

24           (2) A person, before operating a moped upon a highway shall  
25 procure a special restricted license to operate a moped unless  
26 the person has a valid operator's or chauffeur's license. A  
27 special restricted license to operate a moped may be issued to a

1 person 15 years of age or older if the person satisfies the  
2 secretary of state that he is competent to operate a moped with  
3 safety. The secretary of state shall not require a road test  
4 before issuance of a special restricted license to operate a  
5 moped.

6 (3) A special restricted license to operate a moped shall  
7 expire on the ~~birthday~~ **last day of the birth month** of the  
8 person to whom it is issued in the fourth year following the date  
9 of issuance. A license shall not be issued for a period longer  
10 than 4 years. A person issued a license to operate a moped shall  
11 pay \$7.50 for an original license and \$6.00 for a renewal  
12 license. The money received and collected under this subsection  
13 shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the  
14 general fund. The secretary of state shall refund out of the  
15 fees collected to each county or municipality, acting as an  
16 examining officer, \$2.50 for each applicant examined for an  
17 original license and \$1.00 for a renewal license.

18 Sec. 314. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section,  
19 an operator's license shall expire on the ~~birthday~~ **last day of**  
20 **the birth month** of the person to whom the license is issued in  
21 the fourth year following the date of the issuance of the license  
22 unless suspended or revoked before that date or issued pursuant  
23 to section 314b. A license shall not be issued for a period  
24 longer than 4 years. A person holding a license at any time  
25 within 45 days before the expiration of his or her license may  
26 make application for a new license as provided for in this  
27 chapter. However, a knowledge test for an original group

1 designation or indorsement may be taken at any time during this  
2 period and the results shall be valid for 12 months. However, if  
3 the licensee will be out of the state during the 45 days  
4 immediately preceding expiration of the license or for other good  
5 cause shown cannot apply for a license within the 45-day period,  
6 application for a new license may be made not more than 6 months  
7 before expiration of the license. This new license when granted  
8 shall expire as provided for in this chapter.

9       (2) The first operator's license issued to a person who at  
10 the time of application is less than 20-1/2 years of age shall  
11 expire on the **last day of the month of the** licensee's  
12 twenty-first birthday unless suspended or revoked. Until July 1,  
13 2003, the secretary of state shall code the license in a manner  
14 which clearly identifies the licensee as being less than 21 years  
15 of age.

16       (3) The first chauffeur's license issued to a person shall  
17 expire on the **last day of the** licensee's ~~birthday~~ **birth month**  
18 in the fourth year following the date of issuance unless the  
19 license is suspended or revoked before that date or is issued  
20 pursuant to section 314b. The chauffeur's license of a person  
21 who at the time of application is less than 20-1/2 years of age  
22 shall expire on the **last day of the month of the** licensee's  
23 twenty-first birthday unless suspended or revoked. Until July 1,  
24 2003, the secretary of state shall code the license in a manner  
25 which clearly identifies the licensee as being less than 21 years  
26 of age. A subsequent chauffeur's license shall expire on the  
27 ~~birthday~~ **last day** of the **birth month of the** person to whom the

1 license is issued in the fourth year following the date of  
2 issuance of the license unless the license is suspended or  
3 revoked before that date or is issued pursuant to section 314b.

4 (4) A person may apply for an extension of his or her driving  
5 privileges if he or she is out of state on the date that his or  
6 her operator's or chauffeur's license expires. The extension may  
7 extend the license for 90 days beyond the expiration date or  
8 within 2 weeks after the applicant returns to Michigan, whichever  
9 occurs first.

10 (5) A person who will be out of state for more than 90 days  
11 beyond the expiration date of his or her operator's license may  
12 apply for a 2-year extension of his or her driving privileges.  
13 The applicant for this extension shall submit a statement  
14 evidencing a vision examination in accordance with the rules  
15 promulgated by the secretary of state under section 309. The fee  
16 for a 2-year extension shall be the same as provided in section  
17 314b(2).

18 Sec. 314b. (1) The secretary of state may issue a 2-year  
19 license which shall expire on the ~~birthday~~ **last day of the**  
20 **birth month** of the person to whom it is issued when a licensed  
21 driver is charged in the 24 months immediately preceding the  
22 expiration date of that person's current license with a total of  
23 12 or more points as provided in section 320a, or has his or her  
24 license suspended or revoked for a reason other than those  
25 provided in section 321a, 515, or 801c in the 36 months  
26 immediately preceding the expiration date of his or her current  
27 license, or was convicted of any 6-point violation as provided in

1 section 320a or a violation of section 625(3) or former section  
2 625b in the 36 months immediately preceding the expiration date  
3 of his or her current license.

4 (2) A person issued a 2-year license shall pay the following  
5 fees:

6	Operator's license renewal.....	\$ 6.00
7	Chauffeur's license renewal.....	10.00
8	Motorcycle indorsement original.....	6.00
9	Motorcycle indorsement renewal.....	5.00
10	Vehicle group designation.....	20.00
11	Vehicle indorsement.....	5.00

12 (3) Two dollars of each renewal motorcycle indorsement fee  
13 shall be placed in a motorcycle safety fund in the state treasury  
14 and shall be used only for funding the motorcycle safety  
15 education program as provided under sections 312b and 811a.

16 Sec. 675. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section  
17 and this chapter, a vehicle stopped or parked upon a highway or  
18 street shall be stopped or parked with the wheels of the vehicle  
19 parallel to the roadway and within 12 inches of any curb existing  
20 at the right of the vehicle.

21 (2) A local authority may by ordinance permit parking of a  
22 vehicle on a 1-way roadway with the vehicle's left wheels  
23 adjacent to and within 12 inches of any curb existing at the left  
24 of the vehicle.

25 (3) A local authority may by ordinance permit angle parking  
26 on a roadway, except that angle parking shall not be permitted on  
27 a state trunk line highway.

1           (4) The state transportation commission with respect to state  
2 trunk line highways and the board of county road commissioners  
3 with respect to county roads, acting jointly with the director of  
4 the department of state police, may place signs prohibiting or  
5 restricting the stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles on a  
6 highway where in the opinion of the officials as determined by an  
7 engineering survey, the stopping, standing, or parking is  
8 dangerous to those using the highway or where the stopping,  
9 standing, or parking of vehicles would unduly interfere with the  
10 free movement of traffic on the highway or street. The signs  
11 shall be official signs and a person shall not stop, stand, or  
12 park a vehicle in violation of the restrictions stated on the  
13 signs. The signs shall be installed only after a proper traffic  
14 order is filed with the county clerk. Upon the application to  
15 the state transportation commission by a home rule city affected  
16 by an order, opportunity shall be given to the city for a hearing  
17 before the state transportation commission, pursuant to the  
18 administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to  
19 24.328, except when an ordinance of the home rule city prohibits  
20 or restricts the parking of vehicles on a state trunk line  
21 highway; when the home rule city, by lawfully authorized official  
22 action, requests the state transportation department to prohibit  
23 or restrict parking on a state trunk line highway; or when the  
24 home rule city enters into a construction agreement with the  
25 state transportation department providing for the prohibition or  
26 restriction of parking on a state trunk line highway during or  
27 after the period of construction. Traffic control orders, so

1 long as they affect parking upon a state trunk line highway  
2 within the corporate limits of a home rule city, are considered  
3 "rules" within the meaning of the administrative procedures act  
4 of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, and upon application  
5 for a hearing by a home rule city, the proceedings before the  
6 state transportation commission shall be considered a "contested  
7 case" within the meaning of that act.

8 (5) A disabled person may apply, on a form prescribed by the  
9 secretary of state, for a serially numbered nontransferable  
10 temporary or permanent windshield placard for the personal use of  
11 the disabled person. An individual who has a religious objection  
12 to having a medical examination may personally apply at a branch  
13 office of the secretary of state for a serially numbered  
14 nontransferable temporary or permanent windshield placard for the  
15 personal use of the disabled individual. If it appears obvious  
16 that the individual has a qualifying disability, the individual  
17 shall not be required to present a medical statement attesting to  
18 the disability. The application for and the issuance of the  
19 serially numbered nontransferable temporary or permanent  
20 windshield placard is subject to all of the following:

21 (a) The secretary of state may issue to a disabled person  
22 with a temporary disability a temporary windshield placard that  
23 is valid for a period of not more than 6 months.

24 (b) The secretary of state may issue to a disabled person  
25 with a permanent disability an original or renewal permanent  
26 windshield placard that is valid for at least 4 years.

27 (c) An original certificate of identification or permanent

1 windshield placard shall expire on the **last day of the month of**  
2 **the** disabled person's fifth birthday after the date of issuance.

3 (d) A renewal permanent windshield placard shall expire on  
4 the **last day of the month of the** disabled person's fourth  
5 birthday after the date of renewal.

6 (e) A person holding a certificate of identification or  
7 permanent windshield placard at any time within 45 days before  
8 the expiration of his or her certificate or placard may make  
9 application for a new or renewal placard as provided for in this  
10 section. However, if the person will be out of state during the  
11 45 days immediately preceding expiration of the certificate or  
12 placard or for other good cause shown cannot apply for a placard  
13 within the 45-day period, application for a new or renewal  
14 placard may be made not more than 6 months before expiration of  
15 the certificate or placard. A placard issued or renewed under  
16 this subdivision shall expire as provided for in this  
17 subsection.

18 (f) Upon application in the manner prescribed by the  
19 secretary of state for replacement of a lost, stolen, or  
20 destroyed certificate or placard described in this section, a  
21 disabled person or organization that provides specialized  
22 services to disabled persons may be issued a placard that in  
23 substance duplicates the original certificate or placard for a  
24 fee of \$10.00.

25 (g) A certificate or placard described in this section may be  
26 used by a person other than the disabled person for the sole  
27 purpose of transporting the disabled person. An organization

1 that provides specialized services to disabled persons may apply  
2 for and receive a permanent windshield placard to be used in any  
3 motor vehicle actually transporting a disabled person. If the  
4 organization ceases to transport disabled persons, the placard  
5 shall be returned to the secretary of state for cancellation and  
6 destruction.

7 (6) A disabled person with a certificate of identification,  
8 windshield placard, special registration plates issued under  
9 section 803d, a special registration plate issued under section  
10 803f that has a tab for persons with disabilities attached, a  
11 certificate of identification or windshield placard from another  
12 state, or special registration plates from another state issued  
13 for persons with disabilities is entitled to courtesy in the  
14 parking of a vehicle. The courtesy shall relieve the disabled  
15 person or the person transporting the disabled person from  
16 liability for a violation with respect to parking, other than in  
17 violation of this act. A local authority may by ordinance  
18 prohibit parking on a street or highway to create a fire lane or  
19 to provide for the accommodation of heavy traffic during morning  
20 and afternoon rush hours, and the privileges extending to  
21 veterans and physically disabled persons under this subsection do  
22 not supersede that ordinance.

23 (7) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (24), an  
24 application for an initial free parking sticker shall contain a  
25 certification by a physician, physician assistant, or certified  
26 nurse practitioner licensed to practice in this state attesting  
27 to the nature and estimated duration of the applicant's disabling

1 condition and verifying that the applicant qualifies for a free  
2 parking sticker. An individual who has a religious objection to  
3 having a medical examination may personally apply at a branch  
4 office of the secretary of state for an initial free parking  
5 sticker. If it appears obvious that the individual is unable to  
6 do 1 or more of the acts listed in subdivisions (a) to (d), the  
7 individual shall not be required to present a certification by a  
8 physician, a physician assistant, or a certified nurse  
9 practitioner attesting to the nature and estimated duration of  
10 the applicant's disabling condition or verifying that the  
11 applicant qualifies for a free parking sticker. The applicant  
12 qualifies for a free parking sticker if the applicant is a  
13 licensed driver and the physician, physician assistant, or  
14 certified nurse practitioner certifies or, if an individual is  
15 not required to have a certification by a physician, a physician  
16 assistant, or a certified nurse practitioner, it is obvious that  
17 the applicant is unable to do 1 or more of the following:

18 (a) Manage, manipulate, or insert coins, or obtain tickets or  
19 tokens in parking meters or ticket machines in parking lots or  
20 parking structures, due to the lack of fine motor control of both  
21 hands.

22 (b) Reach above his or her head to a height of 42 inches from  
23 the ground, due to a lack of finger, hand, or upper extremity  
24 strength or mobility.

25 (c) Approach a parking meter due to his or her use of a  
26 wheelchair or other device.

27 (d) Walk more than 20 feet due to an orthopedic,

1 neurological, cardiovascular, or lung condition in which the  
2 degree of debilitation is so severe that it almost completely  
3 impedes the ability to walk.

4 (8) To be entitled to free parking in a metered space or in a  
5 publicly owned parking structure or area, a vehicle must properly  
6 display 1 of the following:

7 (a) A windshield placard bearing a free parking sticker  
8 issued pursuant to this act.

9 (b) A valid certificate of identification issued before  
10 October 1, 1994.

11 (c) A valid windshield placard issued by another state.

12 (d) A certificate of identification issued by another state.

13 (e) A license plate for persons with disabilities issued by  
14 another state.

15 (f) A special registration plate with a tab for persons with  
16 disabilities attached issued by another state.

17 (9) A vehicle that does not properly display 1 of the items  
18 listed in subsection (8) is not entitled to free parking in a  
19 metered parking space or in a publicly owned parking area or  
20 structure, and the disabled person or vehicle operator shall pay  
21 all parking fees and may be responsible for a civil infraction.

22 (10) Blindness that is not accompanied by an incapacity  
23 described in subsection (7) does not entitle a person to a free  
24 parking sticker.

25 (11) The secretary of state shall attach a free parking  
26 sticker, in contrasting colors, to the windshield placard of a  
27 person certified as having an incapacity described in subsection

1 (7).

2 (12) A windshield placard issued under this section shall be  
3 displayed on the interior rearview mirror of the vehicle or, if  
4 there is no interior rearview mirror, on the lower left corner of  
5 the dashboard while the vehicle is parked or being parked by or  
6 under the direction of a disabled person pursuant to this  
7 section.

8 (13) A certificate of identification issued before February  
9 11, 1992 shall be displayed on the lower left corner of the  
10 dashboard of the parked vehicle.

11 (14) Upon conviction of an offense involving a violation of  
12 the special privileges conferred upon a holder of a certificate  
13 of identification, windshield placard, or free parking sticker, a  
14 magistrate or judge trying the case, as a part of any penalty  
15 imposed, may confiscate the serially numbered certificate of  
16 identification, windshield placard, or free parking sticker and  
17 return the confiscated item or items to the secretary of state  
18 together with a certified copy of the sentence imposed. Upon  
19 receipt of a certificate of identification, windshield placard,  
20 or free parking sticker from a judge or magistrate, the secretary  
21 of state shall cancel and destroy the certificate, placard, or  
22 sticker, and the disabled person to whom it was issued shall not  
23 receive another certificate, placard, or sticker until he or she  
24 submits a completed application and presents a current medical  
25 statement attesting to his or her condition. A law enforcement  
26 officer who observes a misuse of a certificate of identification,  
27 windshield placard, or free parking sticker may immediately

1 confiscate the certificate, placard, or sticker and forward it  
2 with a copy of his or her report to the secretary of state.

3 (15) A person who intentionally makes a false statement of  
4 material fact or commits or attempts to commit a deception or  
5 fraud on a medical statement attesting to a disability, submitted  
6 in support of an application for a certificate of identification,  
7 windshield placard, free parking sticker, special registration  
8 plate, or tab for persons with disabilities under this section,  
9 section 803d, or section 803f, is guilty of a misdemeanor,  
10 punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.00 or imprisonment for  
11 not more than 30 days, or both.

12 (16) A person who commits or attempts to commit a deception  
13 or fraud by 1 or more of the following methods is guilty of a  
14 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.00 or  
15 imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or both:

16 (a) Using a certificate of identification, windshield  
17 placard, or free parking sticker issued under this section or by  
18 another state to provide transportation to a disabled person,  
19 when the person is not providing transportation to a disabled  
20 person.

21 (b) Altering, modifying, or selling a certificate of  
22 identification, windshield placard, or free parking sticker  
23 issued under this section or by another state.

24 (c) Copying or forging a certificate of identification,  
25 windshield placard, or free parking sticker described in this  
26 section or selling a copied or forged certificate, placard, or  
27 sticker described in this section. In the case of a violation of

1 this subdivision, the fine described in this subsection shall be  
2 not less than \$250.00.

3 (d) Using a copied or forged certificate of identification,  
4 windshield placard, or free parking sticker described in this  
5 section.

6 (e) Making a false statement of material fact to obtain or  
7 assist an individual in obtaining a certificate, placard, or  
8 sticker described in this section, a special registration plate  
9 under section 803d, or a tab for persons with disabilities under  
10 section 803f.

11 (f) Knowingly using or displaying a certificate, placard, or  
12 sticker described in this section that has been canceled by the  
13 secretary of state.

14 (17) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person  
15 who violates this section is responsible for a civil infraction.

16 (18) A certificate of identification issued before October 1,  
17 1994 and containing an expiration date is valid for free parking  
18 in a space controlled or regulated by a meter on a public highway  
19 or in a publicly owned parking area or structure when the time  
20 for parking indicated on the meter has expired, or in a parking  
21 space clearly identified by an official sign as being reserved  
22 for use by disabled persons that is on public property or private  
23 property available for public use, until the expiration date  
24 printed on the certificate. The certificate expires and shall be  
25 canceled on its expiration date.

26 (19) A certificate of identification issued before October 1,  
27 1994 that does not contain an expiration date expires and shall

1 be canceled on October 1, 1994.

2 (20) A certificate of identification shall not be issued or  
3 renewed by the secretary of state after October 1, 1994.

4 (21) The secretary of state may cancel, revoke, or suspend a  
5 windshield placard, free parking sticker, or certificate of  
6 identification under any of the following circumstances:

7 (a) The secretary of state determines that a windshield  
8 placard, free parking sticker, or certificate of identification  
9 was fraudulently or erroneously issued.

10 (b) The secretary of state determines that a person has made  
11 or is making an unlawful use of his or her windshield placard,  
12 free parking sticker, or certificate of identification.

13 (c) The secretary of state determines that a check or draft  
14 used to pay the required fee is not paid on its first  
15 presentation and is not paid upon reasonable notice or demand or  
16 that the required fee is paid by an invalid credit card.

17 (d) The secretary of state determines that the person is no  
18 longer eligible to receive or use a windshield placard, free  
19 parking sticker, or certificate of identification.

20 (e) The secretary of state determines that the owner has  
21 committed an offense under this act involving a windshield  
22 placard, free parking sticker, or certificate of identification.

23 (f) A person has violated this act and the secretary of state  
24 is authorized under this act to cancel, revoke, or suspend a  
25 windshield placard, free parking sticker, or certificate of  
26 identification for that violation.

27 (g) The secretary of state receives notice from another state

1 or foreign country that a windshield placard, free parking  
2 sticker, or certificate of identification issued by the secretary  
3 of state has been surrendered by the owner or seized in  
4 conformity with the laws of that other state or foreign country,  
5 or has been improperly used or displayed in violation of the laws  
6 of that other state or foreign country.

7 (22) Before a cancellation, revocation, or suspension under  
8 subsection (21), the person affected thereby shall be given  
9 notice and an opportunity to be heard.

10 (23) A windshield placard issued to a disabled person shall  
11 bear the first letter and the last 3 digits of the disabled  
12 person's driver's or chauffeur's license number or the first  
13 letter and the last 4 digits of the number on his or her official  
14 state personal identification card issued under 1972 PA 222,  
15 MCL 28.291 to 28.300.

16 (24) For purposes of this section only, the secretary of  
17 state may accept an application for a windshield placard, special  
18 registration plate, or free parking sticker from a disabled  
19 person that is signed by a physician, physician assistant, or  
20 certified nurse practitioner licensed or certified to practice in  
21 another state if the application is accompanied by a copy of that  
22 physician's, physician assistant's, or certified nurse  
23 practitioner's current medical license or certification issued by  
24 that state.

25 (25) This section does not require new or additional third  
26 party reimbursement or worker's compensation benefits for  
27 services rendered.

1           Sec. 803e. (1) A person who has been a prisoner of war or a  
2 person whose spouse has been a prisoner of war may make  
3 application to the secretary of state for a special registration  
4 plate which shall be inscribed with special identification  
5 numbers preceded by the letters "EX-POW" and shall have the words  
6 "ex-prisoner of war" inscribed beneath the registration number.

7           (2) A person who was a member of the armed services during  
8 World War I may make application to the secretary of state for a  
9 special registration plate, which shall be inscribed with special  
10 identification numbers preceded by the letters "WWI" and shall  
11 have the words "World War I veteran" inscribed beneath the  
12 registration number.

13           (3) A person who was a member of the armed services during  
14 1941, stationed at a United States military or naval  
15 establishment at Pearl Harbor in the Hawaiian islands, and who  
16 survived the attack by Japan on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941  
17 may make application to the secretary of state for a special  
18 registration plate, which shall be inscribed with special  
19 identification numbers and shall have the words "Pearl Harbor  
20 survivor" inscribed beneath the registration number.

21           (4) A person who is a recipient of the purple heart medal may  
22 make application to the secretary of state for a special  
23 registration plate which shall be inscribed with special  
24 identification numbers and shall have the words "combat wounded  
25 veteran" inscribed beneath the registration number. In addition,  
26 the special registration plate described under this subsection  
27 shall be inscribed with a vignette of the official purple heart

1 medal.

2 (5) Application for a special registration plate shall be on  
3 a form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be  
4 accompanied by any proof of the applicant having been a prisoner  
5 of war, World War I veteran, Pearl Harbor survivor, or recipient  
6 of the purple heart medal that the secretary of state may  
7 require. The application for a special registration plate shall  
8 also be accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service fee.

9 (6) Upon proper application and payment of the \$5.00 service  
10 fee, the secretary of state shall issue 1 or more special  
11 registration plates for each applicant for use on a passenger  
12 vehicle. A person who is disabled who makes application for a  
13 special registration plate under this section and who makes  
14 payment of the \$5.00 service fee shall be issued a tab for  
15 persons with disabilities as provided in section 803f for his or  
16 her special registration plate. The secretary of state shall  
17 require the same proof that the applicant is a disabled person as  
18 is required for issuance of a permanent windshield placard under  
19 section 675. One person in any household is entitled to 1  
20 special registration plate issued under subsection (1) that is  
21 exempt from payment of the tax provided in section 801. The  
22 person who is issued an additional special registration plate  
23 under subsection (1) shall be assessed the applicable tax  
24 provided for in section 801. A person issued 1 or more special  
25 registration plates under subsection (2), (3), or (4) shall be  
26 assessed the applicable tax provided in section 801.

27 (7) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle

1 other than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a  
2 person who does not qualify under this section, is a  
3 misdemeanor.

4 (8) The special registration plate issued under this section  
5 expires on the ~~birthday~~ **last day of the birth month** of the  
6 vehicle owner in a year in which new plates are issued by the  
7 secretary of state. Application for renewal of the special  
8 registration plate shall be accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee.  
9 The applicant is not required to furnish the proof provided in  
10 subsection (5).

11 Sec. 803f. (1) A person who is a totally disabled veteran  
12 with an honorable discharge from the armed services may make an  
13 application to the secretary of state if he or she owns a private  
14 passenger motor vehicle, and the secretary of state may issue a  
15 special registration plate which shall be inscribed with special  
16 identification numbers preceded by the letters "DV" and shall  
17 have the words "disabled veteran" inscribed beneath the  
18 registration number. For the purposes of this section, "private  
19 passenger motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle which is  
20 personally owned by the disabled veteran and is used for the  
21 primary purpose of transporting the disabled veteran and family  
22 members of the disabled veteran, but does not include a motor  
23 home.

24 (2) Application for the special registration plate shall be  
25 on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be  
26 accompanied by a service fee of \$5.00 and proof that the  
27 applicant was honorably discharged from the armed services and

1 either 1 of the following:

2 (a) That the applicant has been determined by the veterans'  
3 administration of the federal government to have a  
4 service-connected total or permanent total disability rating for  
5 compensation.

6 (b) That the applicant has been determined to have a  
7 service-connected total or permanent total disability rating and  
8 is receiving disability retirement pay from a branch of the  
9 uniformed armed services.

10 (3) A special registration issued under this section is  
11 exempt from payment of the tax provided in section 801.

12 (4) The special registration plate shall expire on the  
13 ~~birthday~~ **last day of the birth month** of the disabled veteran in  
14 a year in which new plates are issued by the secretary of state.  
15 Application for renewal of the special registration plate shall  
16 be accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee. The applicant shall not  
17 be required to furnish the proof provided in subsection (2).

18 (5) The secretary of state may issue to a disabled person who  
19 has been issued a special registration plate under this section a  
20 tab for persons with disabilities. The tab for persons with  
21 disabilities shall be an adhesive tab displaying the  
22 international wheelchair symbol or a reasonable facsimile of that  
23 symbol. The tab for persons with disabilities may be attached  
24 only to the special registration plate issued to the disabled  
25 person under this section.

26 (6) An application for a tab for persons with disabilities  
27 shall be on a form prescribed by the secretary of state. The

1 secretary of state shall require the same proof that the  
2 applicant is a disabled person as is required for issuance of a  
3 permanent windshield placard under section 675.

4 (7) The tab for persons with disabilities shall be issued  
5 free of charge.

6 (8) When a disabled person who has been issued a tab for  
7 persons with disabilities renews his or her special registration  
8 plate under this section, the secretary of state shall issue a  
9 new tab for persons with disabilities to the disabled person,  
10 free of charge. The disabled person shall not be required to  
11 again furnish the proof required under subsection (6).

12 (9) The use of the special registration plate or a tab for  
13 persons with disabilities on a motor vehicle other than the motor  
14 vehicle for which the special registration plate is issued, or by  
15 a person who does not qualify under this section, is a  
16 misdemeanor.

17 Sec. 803i. (1) A person who was or is a member of the  
18 national guard may apply to the secretary of state for a special  
19 registration plate, which shall display an appropriate vignette  
20 preceding the registration numbers and shall have the words  
21 "national guard" inscribed beneath the registration numbers.

22 (2) A person who was or is a member of the military reserve  
23 may apply to the secretary of state for a special registration  
24 plate, which shall display an appropriate vignette preceding the  
25 registration numbers.

26 (3) A person who was a member of any branch of the armed  
27 services of the United States, who has retired or been granted an

1 honorable discharge from that branch of the armed forces, and who  
2 is not otherwise eligible for a special registration plate under  
3 this act may apply to the secretary of state for a special  
4 registration plate which shall display an appropriate vignette  
5 preceding the registration numbers.

6 (4) Application for a special registration plate shall be on  
7 a form prescribed by the secretary of state and shall be  
8 accompanied by any proof of the applicant being or having been a  
9 member of the national guard or military reserve or a member of  
10 any branch of the armed services of the United States as  
11 described in subsection (3) that the secretary of state may  
12 require. The application for a special registration plate shall  
13 also be accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service fee.

14 (5) Upon proper application and payment of the \$5.00 service  
15 fee, the secretary of state shall issue 1 or more special  
16 registration plates for each applicant for use on a passenger  
17 vehicle. A person who is disabled who applies for a special  
18 registration plate under this section and who pays the \$5.00  
19 service fee shall be issued a tab for persons with disabilities  
20 as provided in section 803f for his or her special registration  
21 plate. The secretary of state shall require the same proof that  
22 the applicant is a disabled person as is required for issuance of  
23 a permanent windshield placard under section 675. A person  
24 issued 1 or more special registration plates under  
25 subsection (1), (2), or (3) shall be assessed the applicable tax  
26 provided in section 801.

27 (6) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle

1 other than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a  
2 person who does not qualify under this section, is a  
3 misdemeanor.

4 (7) The special registration plate issued under this section  
5 shall expire on the ~~birthday~~ **last day of the birth month** of the  
6 vehicle owner. When new plates are issued by the secretary of  
7 state, application for renewal of the special registration plate  
8 shall be accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee. The applicant shall  
9 not be required to furnish the proof provided in subsection (4).

10 Sec. 803j. (1) A person who was a member of the armed  
11 services or a person whose spouse was a member of the armed  
12 forces during the Korean War may make application to the  
13 secretary of state for a special registration plate, which shall  
14 display an appropriate vignette preceding the registration  
15 numbers and shall have the word "veteran" inscribed beneath the  
16 registration numbers.

17 (2) Application for a special registration plate shall be on  
18 a form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be  
19 accompanied by any proof of the applicant or the applicant's  
20 spouse having been a Korean War veteran that the secretary of  
21 state may require. The application for a special registration  
22 plate shall also be accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service  
23 fee.

24 (3) Upon proper application and payment of the \$5.00 service  
25 fee, the secretary of state shall issue 1 or more special  
26 registration plates for each applicant for use on a passenger  
27 vehicle. A person who is disabled who makes application for a

1 special registration plate under this section and who makes  
2 payment of the \$5.00 service fee shall be issued a tab for  
3 persons with disabilities as provided in section 803f for his or  
4 her special registration plate. The secretary of state shall  
5 require the same proof that the applicant is a disabled person as  
6 is required for issuance of a permanent windshield placard under  
7 section 675. A person issued 1 or more special registration  
8 plates under subsection (1) shall be assessed the applicable tax  
9 provided in section 801.

10 (4) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle  
11 other than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a  
12 person who does not qualify under this section, is a  
13 misdemeanor.

14 (5) The special registration plate issued under this section  
15 shall expire on the ~~birthday~~ **last day of the birth month** of the  
16 vehicle owner. When new plates are issued by the secretary of  
17 state, application for renewal of the special registration plate  
18 shall be accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee. The applicant shall  
19 not be required to furnish the proof provided in subsection (2).

20 Sec. 803k. (1) A person who was a member of the armed  
21 services during the Vietnam War or a person whose spouse was a  
22 member of the armed services during the Vietnam War may make  
23 application to the secretary of state for a special registration  
24 plate, which shall display an appropriate vignette preceding the  
25 registration numbers and shall have the word "veteran" inscribed  
26 beneath the registration numbers.

27 (2) Application for a special registration plate shall be on

1 a form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be  
2 accompanied by any proof of the applicant or applicant's spouse  
3 having been a Vietnam War veteran that the secretary of state may  
4 require. The application for a special registration plate shall  
5 also be accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service fee.

6 (3) Upon proper application and payment of the \$5.00 service  
7 fee, the secretary of state shall issue 1 or more special  
8 registration plates for each applicant for use on a passenger  
9 vehicle. A person who is disabled who makes application for a  
10 special registration plate under this section and who makes  
11 payment of the \$5.00 service fee shall be issued a tab for  
12 persons with disabilities as provided in section 803f for his or  
13 her special registration plate. The secretary of state shall  
14 require the same proof that the applicant is a disabled person as  
15 is required for issuance of a permanent windshield placard under  
16 section 675. A person issued 1 or more special registration  
17 plates under subsection (1) shall be assessed the applicable tax  
18 provided in section 801.

19 (4) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle  
20 other than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a  
21 person who does not qualify under this section, is a  
22 misdemeanor.

23 (5) The special registration plate issued under this section  
24 shall expire on the ~~birthday~~ **last day of the birth month** of the  
25 vehicle owner. When new plates are issued by the secretary of  
26 state, application for renewal of the special registration plate  
27 shall be accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee. The applicant shall

1 not be required to furnish the proof provided in subsection (2).

2       Sec. 803l. (1) A person who was a member of the armed  
3 services during World War II or a person whose spouse was a  
4 member of the armed services during World War II may make  
5 application to the secretary of state for a special registration  
6 plate, which shall display an appropriate vignette preceding the  
7 registration numbers and shall have the word "veteran" inscribed  
8 beneath the registration numbers.

9       (2) Application for a special registration plate shall be on  
10 a form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be  
11 accompanied by any proof of the applicant or applicant's spouse  
12 having been a World War II veteran that the secretary of state  
13 may require. The application for a special registration plate  
14 shall also be accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service fee.

15       (3) Upon proper application and payment of the \$5.00 service  
16 fee, the secretary of state shall issue 1 special registration  
17 plate for each applicant for use on a passenger vehicle. A  
18 person who is disabled who makes application for a special  
19 registration plate under this section and who makes payment of  
20 the \$5.00 service fee shall be issued a tab for persons with  
21 disabilities as provided in section 803f for his or her special  
22 registration plate. The secretary of state shall require the  
23 same proof that the applicant is a disabled person as is required  
24 for issuance of a permanent windshield placard under section  
25 675. A person issued a special registration plate under  
26 subsection (1) shall be assessed the applicable tax provided in  
27 section 801.

1 (4) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle  
2 other than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a  
3 person who does not qualify under this section, is a  
4 misdemeanor.

5 (5) The special registration plate issued under this section  
6 shall expire on the ~~birthday~~ **last day of the birth month** of the  
7 vehicle owner. When new plates are issued by the secretary of  
8 state, application for renewal of the special registration plate  
9 shall be accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee. The applicant shall  
10 not be required to furnish the proof provided in subsection (2).

11 Sec. 803n. (1) A person who was a member or a person whose  
12 spouse was a member of the Michigan national guard, the United  
13 States armed forces reserve, or any branch of the armed services  
14 of the United States and who was called to active duty during the  
15 Persian Gulf War may apply to the secretary of state for a  
16 special registration plate, which shall display an appropriate  
17 vignette preceding the registration numbers and shall have the  
18 word "veteran" inscribed beneath the registration numbers.

19 (2) A person who was a member or a person whose spouse was a  
20 member of the armed services during the conflict in Grenada, the  
21 conflict in Panama, or the conflict in Lebanon may apply to the  
22 secretary of state for a special registration plate, which shall  
23 display an appropriate vignette preceding the registration  
24 numbers and shall have the word "veteran" inscribed beneath the  
25 registration numbers.

26 (3) Application for a special registration plate shall be on  
27 a form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be

1 accompanied by any proof of the applicant or applicant's spouse  
2 having been a war or conflict veteran that the secretary of state  
3 may require. The application for a special registration plate  
4 shall also be accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service fee.

5 (4) Upon proper application and payment of the \$5.00 service  
6 fee, the secretary of state shall issue 1 or more special  
7 registration plates for each applicant for use on a passenger  
8 vehicle. A person who is disabled who applies for a special  
9 registration plate under this section and who pays the \$5.00  
10 service fee shall be issued a tab for persons with disabilities  
11 as provided in section 803f for his or her special registration  
12 plate. The secretary of state shall require the same proof that  
13 the applicant is a disabled person as is required for issuance of  
14 a permanent windshield placard under section 675. A person  
15 issued 1 or more special registration plates under subsection (1)  
16 or (2) shall be assessed the applicable tax provided in  
17 section 801.

18 (5) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle  
19 other than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a  
20 person who does not qualify under this section, is a  
21 misdemeanor.

22 (6) The special registration plate issued under this section  
23 shall expire on the ~~birthday~~ **last day of the birth month** of the  
24 vehicle owner. When new plates are issued by the secretary of  
25 state, application for renewal of the special registration plate  
26 shall be accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee. The applicant shall  
27 not be required to furnish the proof provided in subsection (3).

1           Sec. 803o. (1) On and after December 18, 1992, a person who  
2 was a member or a person whose spouse was a member of the  
3 Michigan national guard, the United States armed forces reserve,  
4 or any branch of the armed services of the United States and who  
5 was called to active duty during a declared war or an armed  
6 conflict in which the United States was a participant may apply  
7 to the secretary of state for a special registration plate, which  
8 shall display an appropriate vignette preceding the registration  
9 numbers and shall have the word "veteran" inscribed beneath the  
10 registration numbers.

11           (2) Application for a special registration plate shall be on  
12 a form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be  
13 accompanied by any proof of the applicant or applicant's spouse  
14 having been a veteran of a declared war or an armed conflict in  
15 which the United States was a participant that the secretary of  
16 state may require. The application for a special registration  
17 plate shall also be accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service  
18 fee.

19           (3) Upon proper application and payment of the \$5.00 service  
20 fee, the secretary of state shall issue 1 or more special  
21 registration plates for each applicant for use on a passenger  
22 vehicle. A person who is disabled who applies for a special  
23 registration plate under this section and who pays the \$5.00  
24 service fee shall be issued a tab for persons with disabilities  
25 as provided in section 803f for his or her special registration  
26 plate. The secretary of state shall require the same proof that  
27 the applicant is a disabled person as is required for issuance of

1 a permanent windshield placard under section 675. A person  
2 issued 1 or more special registration plates under subsection (1)  
3 shall be assessed the applicable tax provided in section 801.

4 (4) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle  
5 other than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a  
6 person who does not qualify under this section, is a  
7 misdemeanor.

8 (5) The special registration plate issued under this section  
9 shall expire on the ~~birthday~~ **last day of the birth month** of the  
10 vehicle owner. When new plates are issued by the secretary of  
11 state, application for renewal of the special registration plate  
12 shall be accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee. The applicant shall  
13 not be required to furnish the proof provided in subsection (2).