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**Senators Tavares, Thomas  
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**A BILL**

To enact section 5502.59 of the Revised Code to  
establish the "Yellow Dot" motor vehicle medical  
information program within the Department of  
Public Safety.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 5502.59 of the Revised Code be  
enacted to read as follows:

**Sec. 5502.59.** (A) There is hereby created the "yellow dot"  
motor vehicle medical information program, which the department  
of public safety shall administer. The purpose of the "yellow  
dot" program is to assist owners and lessees of motor vehicles  
who participate in the program, their passengers, and emergency  
medical responders in the event of a motor vehicle accident or a  
medical emergency involving a participant's vehicle.

(B) The department shall provide the owner or lessee of a  
motor vehicle who participates in the program with a "yellow  
dot" window decal and a "yellow dot" folder. The folder, which  
is intended to be stored in the glove compartment of the motor  
vehicle, shall contain an information form containing the

participant's name, a photo of the participant, emergency 19  
contact information, the participant's medical conditions, 20  
recent surgeries, allergies, medications being used, and 21  
relevant information about the participant's personal physician. 22

(C) The participant shall affix the "yellow dot" window 23  
decal on the operator's side of the vehicle's rear window in the 24  
lower corner. The purpose of the decal is to alert emergency 25  
medical responders to search the glove compartment of the 26  
vehicle for the corresponding "yellow dot" folder. The purpose 27  
of the information in the folder is to assist emergency medical 28  
responders, in the event of an accident involving the motor 29  
vehicle, in positively identifying the participant, 30  
communicating with the participant's family or emergency 31  
contacts, and ensuring that the person's current medications and 32  
pre-existing medical conditions are considered when treatment is 33  
administered for any injury the participant suffers in the motor 34  
vehicle accident. 35

(D) A person who rides in a motor vehicle as a passenger 36  
also may participate in the program, but the department shall 37  
not issue a decal if the owner or lessee of the motor vehicle in 38  
which the person rides also participates in the program. 39

(E) The department shall not charge any fee to participate 40  
in the "yellow dot" program and shall take reasonable measures 41  
to publicize the program. The department may accept donations 42  
and grants from any source to assist in paying the expenses the 43  
department incurs in administering the program. 44

(F) The department shall adopt such rules governing the 45  
"yellow dot" program as may be necessary to implement and 46  
administer the program. 47