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A BILL

To amend section 4507.52 of the Revised Code to
provide that any nondriver identification card
that is issued to a veteran who is disabled or
blind may be issued without an expiration date.

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

Section 1. That section 4507.52 of the Revised Code be
amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4507.52. (A) (1) Each identification card issued by
the registrar of motor vehicles or a deputy registrar shall
display a distinguishing number assigned to the cardholder, and
shall display the following inscription:

"STATE OF OHIO IDENTIFICATION CARD

This card is not valid for the purpose of operating a
motor vehicle. It is provided solely for the purpose of
establishing the identity of the bearer described on the card,
who currently is not licensed to operate a motor vehicle in the
state of Ohio."

The identification card shall display substantially the

same information as contained in the application and as 18
described in division (A)(1) of section 4507.51 of the Revised 19
Code, but shall not display the cardholder's social security 20
number unless the cardholder specifically requests that the 21
cardholder's social security number be displayed on the card. If 22
federal law requires the cardholder's social security number to 23
be displayed on the identification card, the social security 24
number shall be displayed on the card notwithstanding this 25
section. The identification card also shall display the color 26
photograph of the cardholder. If the cardholder has executed a 27
durable power of attorney for health care or a declaration 28
governing the use or continuation, or the withholding or 29
withdrawal, of life-sustaining treatment and has specified that 30
the cardholder wishes the identification card to indicate that 31
the cardholder has executed either type of instrument, the card 32
also shall display any symbol chosen by the registrar to 33
indicate that the cardholder has executed either type of 34
instrument. ~~On and after October 7, 2009, if~~ If the cardholder 35
has specified that the cardholder wishes the identification card 36
to indicate that the cardholder is a veteran, active duty, or 37
reservist of the armed forces of the United States and has 38
presented a copy of the cardholder's DD-214 form or an 39
equivalent document, the card also shall display any symbol 40
chosen by the registrar to indicate that the cardholder is a 41
veteran, active duty, or reservist of the armed forces of the 42
United States. The card shall be sealed in transparent plastic 43
or similar material and shall be so designed as to prevent its 44
reproduction or alteration without ready detection. 45

The identification card for persons under twenty-one years 46
of age shall have characteristics prescribed by the registrar 47
distinguishing it from that issued to a person who is twenty-one 48

years of age or older, except that an identification card issued 49
to a person who applies no more than thirty days before the 50
applicant's twenty-first birthday shall have the characteristics 51
of an identification card issued to a person who is twenty-one 52
years of age or older. 53

~~Every~~ Except as otherwise provided in division (A) (2) of 54
this section, every identification card issued to a resident of 55
this state shall expire, unless canceled or surrendered earlier, 56
on the birthday of the cardholder in the fourth year after the 57
date on which it is issued. Every identification card issued to 58
a temporary resident shall expire in accordance with rules 59
adopted by the registrar and is nonrenewable, but may be 60
replaced with a new identification card upon the applicant's 61
compliance with all applicable requirements. A cardholder may 62
renew the cardholder's identification card within ninety days 63
prior to the day on which it expires by filing an application 64
and paying the prescribed fee in accordance with section 4507.50 65
of the Revised Code. 66

If a cardholder applies for a driver's or commercial 67
driver's license in this state or another licensing 68
jurisdiction, the cardholder shall surrender the cardholder's 69
identification card to the registrar or any deputy registrar 70
before the license is issued. 71

(2) The registrar or a deputy registrar shall issue an 72
identification card without an expiration date to both of the 73
following: 74

(a) A resident of this state who is a disabled veteran, as 75
defined in section 323.151 of the Revised Code; 76

(b) A resident of this state who received an honorable 77

discharge from the armed forces of the United States and is 78
mobility impaired or blind, as those terms are defined in 79
section 955.011 of the Revised Code. 80

(B) If a card is lost, destroyed, or mutilated, the person 81
to whom the card was issued may obtain a duplicate by doing both 82
of the following: 83

(1) Furnishing suitable proof of the loss, destruction, or 84
mutilation to the registrar or a deputy registrar; 85

(2) Filing an application and presenting documentary 86
evidence under section 4507.51 of the Revised Code. 87

Any person who loses a card and, after obtaining a 88
duplicate, finds the original, immediately shall surrender the 89
original to the registrar or a deputy registrar. 90

A cardholder may obtain a replacement identification card 91
that reflects any change of the cardholder's name by furnishing 92
suitable proof of the change to the registrar or a deputy 93
registrar and surrendering the cardholder's existing card. 94

When a cardholder applies for a duplicate or obtains a 95
replacement identification card, the cardholder shall pay a fee 96
of two dollars and fifty cents. A deputy registrar shall be 97
allowed an additional fee of ~~two dollars and seventy five cents~~ 98
~~commencing on July 1, 2001, three dollars and twenty five cents~~ 99
~~commencing on January 1, 2003, and three dollars and fifty cents~~ 100
~~commencing on January 1, 2004,~~ for issuing a duplicate or 101
replacement identification card. A disabled veteran who is a 102
cardholder and has a service-connected disability rated at one 103
hundred per cent by the veterans' administration may apply to 104
the registrar or a deputy registrar for the issuance of a 105
duplicate or replacement identification card without payment of 106

any fee prescribed in this section, and without payment of any 107
lamination fee if the disabled veteran would not be required to 108
pay a lamination fee in connection with the issuance of an 109
identification card or temporary identification card as provided 110
in division (B) of section 4507.50 of the Revised Code. 111

A-Except for a duplicate or replacement identification 112
card that is issued to a resident of this state to whom division 113
(A) (2) of this section applies, a duplicate or replacement 114
identification card ~~shall expire~~ expires on the same date as the 115
card it replaces. 116

(C) The registrar shall cancel any card upon determining 117
that the card was obtained unlawfully, issued in error, or was 118
altered. The registrar also shall cancel any card that is 119
surrendered to the registrar or to a deputy registrar after the 120
holder has obtained a duplicate, replacement, or driver's or 121
commercial driver's license. 122

(D) (1) No agent of the state or its political subdivisions 123
shall condition the granting of any benefit, service, right, or 124
privilege upon the possession by any person of an identification 125
card. Nothing in this section shall preclude any publicly 126
operated or franchised transit system from using an 127
identification card for the purpose of granting benefits or 128
services of the system. 129

(2) No person shall be required to apply for, carry, or 130
possess an identification card. 131

(E) Except in regard to an identification card issued to a 132
person who applies no more than thirty days before the 133
applicant's twenty-first birthday, neither the registrar nor any 134
deputy registrar shall issue an identification card to a person 135

under twenty-one years of age that does not have the 136
characteristics prescribed by the registrar distinguishing it 137
from the identification card issued to persons who are twenty- 138
one years of age or older. 139

(F) Whoever violates division (E) of this section is 140
guilty of a minor misdemeanor. 141

Section 2. That existing section 4507.52 of the Revised 142
Code is hereby repealed. 143