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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Introduced by:
(VA)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE INDICATION OF A PERSON'S STATUS AS A VETERAN ON A MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENSE AND IDENTITY CARD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 14-36h of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

3 (a) Each motor vehicle operator's license issued by the
4 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles in accordance with section 14-36 and
5 each identity card issued by said commissioner in accordance with
6 section 1-1h shall contain the following: (1) The person's full legal
7 name; (2) the person's date of birth; (3) the person's gender; (4) the
8 person's height and eye color; (5) the person's assigned operator's
9 license or identity card number; (6) the person's address of principal
10 residence in this state; (7) the person's signature; [and] (8) the person's
11 color photograph or digital image; and (9) if applicable, the person's
12 status as a veteran, as provided in subsection (d) of this section.

13 (b) The commissioner shall provide that each such license or
14 identity card document contains physical security features designed to

15 prevent tampering, counterfeiting or duplication of the document.

16 (c) Each such document shall also contain one or more machine-
17 readable technology feature or component, including, but not limited
18 to, a bar code or magnetic strip.

19 (d) The commissioner shall, upon request of any person who is a
20 veteran, indicate such person's status as a veteran on any motor
21 vehicle operator's license or identity card issued to such person,
22 provided the commissioner verifies such person's status as a veteran
23 from a military discharge document presented by such person. Any
24 motor vehicle operator's license or identity card issued to such person
25 by the commissioner shall indicate, based on the information
26 contained in such military discharge document, (1) that such person is
27 a veteran who performed service in time of war, or (2) if such person is
28 a veteran who did not perform service in time of war, that such person
29 is a veteran.

30 [(d)] (e) As used in this section: [, the term "full] (1) "Full legal name"
31 means the most complete version of the name that appears on a
32 person's certificate of birth, official passport or other document or
33 documents accepted by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to verify
34 the person's identity, unless the person presents a marriage license or
35 certificate, a certificate of civil union, a divorce decree or an order of a
36 court of competent jurisdiction pertaining to a permanent change of
37 the person's name; and (2) "veteran" and "service in time of war" have
38 the same meanings as provided in subsection (a) of section 27-103.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2011	14-36h

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to include a person's status as a veteran on such person's motor vehicle operator's license or identity card at the request of such person.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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