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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2727

As Recommended by House Committee on <u>Transportation</u>

Brief*

HB 2727 would change an eligibility determination requirement for a special license plate or placard issued to a person with a disability or a person responsible for the transportation of a person with a disability. Current law states a determination of eligibility shall be made at least every three years. The bill would replace that language with a requirement the Secretary of Revenue issue rules and regulations that comply with federal requirements in 23 CFR 1235.4, which include a requirement for periodic renewal of placards.

Background

The bill was requested by the Division of Vehicles, and a Division representative testified in favor of the bill. The representative stated the Division expected the bill would allow it to use technology to simplify determination of eligibility. There was no other testimony.

The cited federal regulation, 23 CFR 1235.4, says a state system shall provide for the issuance and periodic renewal of removable windshield placards for use by people with disabilities that limit or impair the ability to walk. The regulation requires an application for such a placard, certification from a licensed physician that the applicant meets the requirements for such a placard, and display of the placard.

^{*}Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at http://www.kslegislature.org

According to the fiscal note provided by the Division of the Budget, the Department of Revenue indicates enactment of the bill would have a negligible fiscal effect on the State Highway Fund.