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S.F. No. 2875

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
02/03/2022	4893	Introduction and first reading Referred to Transportation Finance and Policy
02/14/2022	4984	Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Veterans and Military Affairs Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to drivers' licenses; amending eligibility for a veteran designation on

1.3 drivers' licenses or Minnesota identification cards; amending Minnesota Statutes

1.4 2020, section 171.07, subdivision 15.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.07, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 15. **Veteran designation.** (a) At the request of an eligible applicant and on payment

1.8 of the required fee, the department shall issue, renew, or reissue to the applicant a driver's

1.9 license or Minnesota identification card bearing a graphic or written designation of:

1.10 (1) Veteran; or

1.11 (2) Veteran 100% T&P.

1.12 (b) At the time of the initial application for the designation provided under this

1.13 subdivision, the applicant must:

1.14 (1) be one of the following:

1.15 (i) a veteran, as defined in section 197.447;

1.16 (ii) a retired member of the National Guard or a reserve component of the United States

1.17 armed forces, who provides documentation demonstrating that the applicant qualifies for

1.18 nonregular retirement or reserve retirement;

1.19 (iii) a member of the National Guard or a reserve component of the United States armed

1.20 forces, who provides a Veteran Identification Card; or

2.1 (iv) a member of the National Guard or a reserve component of the United States armed
2.2 forces, who provides a Veteran Health Identification Card;

2.3 (2) ~~have~~ provide a certified copy of the ~~veteran's~~ applicant's federal form DD-214 or
2.4 form NGB-22 discharge papers, that confirms an honorable or general discharge under
2.5 honorable conditions status; and

2.6 (3) if the applicant is seeking the disability designation under paragraph (a), clause (2),
2.7 provide satisfactory evidence of a 100 percent total and permanent service-connected
2.8 disability as determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

2.9 ~~(e) The commissioner of public safety is required to issue drivers' licenses and Minnesota~~
2.10 ~~identification cards with the veteran designation only after entering a new contract or in~~
2.11 ~~coordination with producing a new card design with modifications made as required by~~
2.12 ~~law.~~

2.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective August 1, 2022, and
2.14 applies to applications submitted on or after that date.