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# COMMITTEE REPORT

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| <b>YES:</b> | <b>14</b> |
| <b>NO:</b>  | <b>0</b>  |

**MR. SPEAKER:**

**C. Brown**

*Your Committee on Public Health, to which was referred House Bill 1404, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill **be amended** as follows:*

- 1            Delete the title and insert the following:
- 2            A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning
- 3            motor vehicles.
- 4            Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the
- 5            following:
- 6            SECTION 1. IC 9-14-5-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 7            FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1998]: Sec. 1. The bureau shall
- 8            issue a placard to the following:
- 9            (1) An individual of any age who:
- 10            (A) has a temporary or permanent physical disability that
- 11            requires the use of a wheelchair, a walker, braces, or
- 12            crutches;
- 13            (B) has temporarily or permanently lost the use of one (1)
- 14            or both legs;
- 15            (C) is certified to be severely restricted in mobility, either
- 16            temporarily or permanently, due to a pulmonary or

1 cardiovascular disability, arthritic condition, or orthopedic  
2 or neurological impairment, by:

3 (i) a physician having an unlimited license to practice  
4 medicine;

5 (ii) a physician who is a commissioned medical officer  
6 of the armed forces of the United States or of the  
7 United States Public Health Service;

8 (iii) a physician who is a medical officer of the United  
9 States Department of Veterans Affairs;

10 (iv) a chiropractor licensed under IC 25-10-1; or

11 (v) a podiatrist licensed under IC 25-29-1; ~~or~~

12 (D) is certified by an optometrist or ophthalmologist  
13 licensed to practice in Indiana to be blind or visually  
14 impaired; ~~or~~

15 **(E) is certified as pregnant by a physician:**

16 **(i) having an unlimited license to practice medicine;**

17 **(ii) who is a commissioned medical officer of the**  
18 **armed forces of the United States or of the United**  
19 **States Public Health Service; or**

20 **(iii) who is a medical officer of the United States**  
21 **Department of Veterans Affairs.**

22 (2) Any corporation, limited liability company, partnership,  
23 unincorporated association, and any legal successor of the  
24 corporation, limited liability company, partnership, or  
25 association, empowered by the state or a political subdivision to  
26 operate programs, including the provision of transportation, or  
27 facilities for persons with physical disabilities.

28 SECTION 2. IC 9-14-5-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
29 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1998]: Sec. 2. The certification  
30 made by a physician, an optometrist, or an ophthalmologist under  
31 section 1(1)(C), ~~or~~ 1(1)(D), ~~or~~ **1(1)(E)** of this chapter must be on a  
32 form prescribed by the state board of accounts and must state the  
33 expected duration of the condition that severely restricts the  
34 individual's mobility.

35 SECTION 3. IC 9-14-5-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
36 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1998]: Sec. 4. (a) A placard issued  
37 under section 1(1) of this chapter expires on the recipient's fourth  
38 birthday that follows the date of the placard's issuance if the recipient's

1 disability is permanent. If the disability is permanent, a new physician  
2 certification is not required upon expiration of the placard, only  
3 reapplication.

4 (b) **Except as provided in subsection (c)**, if the recipient's  
5 disability is not permanent, a placard issued under section 1(1) of this  
6 chapter expires:

- 7 (1) six (6) months after the date of the placard's issuance; or
- 8 (2) on the date certified by a physician under section 1(1)(C) or  
9 1(1)(D) of this chapter;

10 whichever occurs first.

11 (c) **A placard issued under section 1(1)(E) of this chapter**  
12 **expires one (1) year after the date of the placard's issuance.**

(Reference is to HB 1404 as introduced.)

**and when so amended that said bill do pass.**

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Representative C. Brown