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1 A bill to be entitled  
2 An act relating to identification cards; amending s.  
3 322.051, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway  
4 Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue or renew  
5 identification cards at no charge to persons  
6 presenting a valid voter's registration card and  
7 attesting to financial hardship; prohibiting the  
8 department from requiring such persons to present  
9 certain evidence; requiring the department to issue  
10 identification cards at no charge to certain other  
11 persons; conforming cross-references; amending ss.  
12 322.18 and 322.21, F.S.; conforming provisions to  
13 changes made by the act; providing an effective date.  
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15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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17 Section 1. Paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) of subsection (8)  
18 and subsection (9) of section 322.051, Florida Statutes, are  
19 amended, and subsection (10) is added to that section, to read:

20 322.051 Identification cards.—

21 (8)

22 (b)1. The word "Veteran" must be exhibited on the  
23 identification card of a veteran upon the presentation of a copy  
24 of the person's:

25 a. DD Form 214, issued by the United States Department of

26 Defense;

27 b. Veteran health identification card, issued by the  
28 United States Department of Veterans Affairs;

29 c. Veteran identification card, issued by the United  
30 States Department of Veterans Affairs pursuant to the Veterans  
31 Identification Card Act of 2015, Pub. L. No. 114-31; or

32 d. Other acceptable form specified by the Department of  
33 Veterans' Affairs.

34 2. Until a veteran's identification card is next renewed,  
35 the veteran may have the word "Veteran" added to his or her  
36 identification card upon surrender of his or her current  
37 identification card and presentation of any of the forms of  
38 identification specified in subparagraph 1. If the applicant is  
39 not conducting any other transaction affecting the  
40 identification card, a replacement identification card must be  
41 issued with the word "Veteran" without payment of the fee  
42 required in s. 322.21(1)(f)3.c. ~~s. 322.21(1)(f)3.~~

43 (c) The international symbol for the deaf and hard of  
44 hearing shall be exhibited on the identification card of a  
45 person who is deaf or hard of hearing upon the payment of an  
46 additional \$1 fee for the identification card and the  
47 presentation of sufficient proof that the person is deaf or hard  
48 of hearing as determined by the department. Until a person's  
49 identification card is next renewed, the person may have the  
50 symbol added to his or her identification card upon surrender of

51 his or her current identification card, payment of a \$2 fee to  
 52 be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, and  
 53 presentation of sufficient proof that the person is deaf or hard  
 54 of hearing as determined by the department. If the applicant is  
 55 not conducting any other transaction affecting the  
 56 identification card, a replacement identification card may be  
 57 issued with the symbol without payment of the fee required in s.  
 58 322.21(1)(f)3.c. ~~s. 322.21(1)(f)3.~~ For purposes of this  
 59 paragraph, the international symbol for the deaf and hard of  
 60 hearing is substantially as follows:



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 64 (d) The department shall include symbols representing the  
 65 following on an identification card upon the payment of an  
 66 additional \$1 fee by an applicant who meets the requirements of  
 67 subsection (1) and presents his or her:

- 68 1. Lifetime freshwater fishing license;
- 69 2. Lifetime saltwater fishing license;
- 70 3. Lifetime hunting license;
- 71 4. Lifetime sportsman's license; or
- 72 5. Lifetime boater safety identification card.

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 74 A person may replace his or her identification card before its  
 75 expiration date with a card that includes his or her status as a  
 76 lifetime licensee or boater safety cardholder upon surrender of  
 77 his or her current identification card, payment of a \$2 fee to  
 78 be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, and  
 79 presentation of the person's lifetime license or card. If the  
 80 sole purpose of the replacement identification card is the  
 81 inclusion of the applicant's status as a lifetime licensee or  
 82 cardholder, the replacement identification card must be issued  
 83 without payment of the fee required in s. 322.21(1)(f)3.c. ~~s.~~  
 84 ~~322.21(1)(f)3.~~

85 (9)(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section  
 86 or s. 322.21 to the contrary, the department shall issue or  
 87 renew a card at no charge to:

88 1. A person who presents a valid Florida voter's  
 89 registration card to the department and attests that he or she  
 90 is experiencing a financial hardship. The department may not  
 91 require such person to present evidence of a financial hardship.

92 2. A person who presents evidence satisfactory to the  
 93 department that he or she is homeless as defined in s.  
 94 414.0252(7).

95 ~~3.~~ ~~to~~ A juvenile offender who is in the custody or under  
 96 the supervision of the Department of Juvenile Justice and  
 97 receiving services pursuant to s. 985.461.

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98 | ~~4.7~~ An inmate receiving a card issued pursuant to s.  
99 | 944.605(7), or, if necessary, to an inmate receiving a  
100 | replacement card if the department determines that he or she has  
101 | a valid state identification card. If the replacement state  
102 | identification card is scheduled to expire within 6 months, the  
103 | department may also issue a temporary permit valid for at least  
104 | 6 months after the release date.

105 | (b) The department's mobile issuing units shall process  
106 | the identification cards for juvenile offenders and inmates at  
107 | no charge, as provided by s. 944.605 (7) (a) and (b).

108 | (10) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section  
109 | or s. 322.21 to the contrary, the department shall issue an  
110 | identification card at no charge to a person who is 80 years of  
111 | age or older and whose driving privilege is denied due to  
112 | failure to pass a vision test administered pursuant to s.  
113 | 322.18(5).

114 | Section 2. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (5) of  
115 | section 322.18, Florida Statutes, to read:

116 | 322.18 Original applications, licenses, and renewals;  
117 | expiration of licenses; delinquent licenses.—

118 | (5) All renewal driver licenses may be issued after the  
119 | applicant licensee has been determined to be eligible by the  
120 | department.

121 | (c) The department shall issue an identification card  
122 | under s. 322.051 at no charge to a licensee who is at least 80

123 years of age and whose driving privilege is denied due to  
 124 failure to pass a vision test pursuant to this subsection.

125 Section 3. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section  
 126 322.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

127 322.21 License fees; procedure for handling and collecting  
 128 fees.—

129 (1) Except as otherwise provided herein, the fee for:

130 (f) An original, renewal, or replacement identification  
 131 card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 is \$25.

132 1., except that An applicant who meets any of the  
 133 following criteria is exempt from the fee under this paragraph  
 134 for an original, renewal, or replacement identification card:

135 a. The applicant presents a valid Florida voter's  
 136 registration card to the department and attests that he or she  
 137 is experiencing a financial hardship.

138 b. The applicant presents evidence satisfactory to the  
 139 department that he or she is homeless as defined in s.  
 140 414.0252(7).

141 c. The applicant presents evidence satisfactory to the  
 142 department that; his or her annual income is at or below 100  
 143 percent of the federal poverty level.

144 d. The applicant; ~~or he or she~~ is a juvenile offender who  
 145 is in the custody or under the supervision of the Department of  
 146 Juvenile Justice, who is receiving services pursuant to s.  
 147 985.461, and whose identification card is issued by the

148 department's mobile issuing units ~~is exempt from such fee.~~

149 2. Pursuant to s. 322.051(10), an applicant who is 80  
 150 years of age or older and whose driving privilege is denied due  
 151 to failure to pass a vision test administered pursuant to s.  
 152 322.18(5) is exempt from the fee under this paragraph for an  
 153 original identification card.

154 3. Funds collected from fees for original, renewal, or  
 155 replacement identification cards shall be distributed as  
 156 follows:

157 ~~a.1.~~ For an original identification card issued pursuant  
 158 to s. 322.051, the fee shall be deposited into the General  
 159 Revenue Fund.

160 ~~b.2.~~ For a renewal identification card issued pursuant to  
 161 s. 322.051, \$6 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety  
 162 Operating Trust Fund, and \$19 shall be deposited into the  
 163 General Revenue Fund.

164 ~~c.3.~~ For a replacement identification card issued pursuant  
 165 to s. 322.051, \$9 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety  
 166 Operating Trust Fund, and \$16 shall be deposited into the  
 167 General Revenue Fund. Beginning July 1, 2015, or upon completion  
 168 of the transition of the driver license issuance services, if  
 169 the replacement identification card is issued by the tax  
 170 collector, the tax collector shall retain the \$9 that would  
 171 otherwise be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust  
 172 Fund and the remaining revenues shall be deposited into the

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173 | General Revenue Fund.

174 |       Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.