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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Veterans and Military Affairs Finance and Policy Division

03/14/2019 Adoption of Report: Re-referred to the Transportation Finance and Policy Division

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to veterans; drivers' licenses; applying an expanded definition of veterans  
1.3 for purposes of eligibility for the veteran's identifier on state-issued identification  
1.4 cards; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 171.07, subdivision 15.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, 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 a veteran, as defined in section 197.447;~~

1.15 ~~(2) (1) have a certified copy of the veteran's discharge papers DD Form 214 or other~~  
1.16 official document from the official military personnel file of the veteran that describes the  
1.17 honorable service of the veteran; and

1.18 ~~(3) (2)~~ (2) if the applicant is seeking the disability designation under paragraph (a), clause  
1.19 (2), provide satisfactory evidence of a 100 percent total and permanent service-connected  
1.20 disability as determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

- 2.1 (c) The commissioner of public safety is required to issue drivers' licenses and Minnesota  
2.2 identification cards with the veteran designation only after entering a new contract or in  
2.3 coordination with producing a new card design with modifications made as required by  
2.4 law.