CHAPTER 3--H.F.No. 211

An act relating to transportation; authorizing licensed physical therapists to provide a medical statement for parking privileges for physically disabled persons; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 169.345, subdivision 2.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 169.345, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. **Definitions.** (a) For the purpose of section 168.021 and this section, the following terms have the meanings given them in this subdivision.
- (b) "Health professional" means a licensed physician, licensed physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse, licensed physical therapist, or licensed chiropractor.
- (c) "Long-term certificate" means a certificate issued for a period greater than 12 months but not greater than 71 months.
- (d) "Organization certificate" means a certificate issued to an entity other than a natural person for a period of three years.
- (e) "Permit" refers to a permit that is issued for a period of 30 days, in lieu of the certificate referred to in subdivision 3, while the application is being processed.
 - (f) "Physically disabled person" means a person who:
 - (1) because of disability cannot walk without significant risk of falling;
 - (2) because of disability cannot walk 200 feet without stopping to rest;
- (3) because of disability cannot walk without the aid of another person, a walker, a cane, crutches, braces, a prosthetic device, or a wheelchair;
- (4) is restricted by a respiratory disease to such an extent that the person's forced (respiratory) expiratory volume for one second, when measured by spirometry, is less than one liter;
 - (5) has an arterial oxygen tension (PaO₂) of less than 60 mm/Hg on room air at rest;
 - (6) uses portable oxygen;
- (7) has a cardiac condition to the extent that the person's functional limitations are classified in severity as class III or class IV according to standards set by the American Heart Association;
 - (8) has lost an arm or a leg and does not have or cannot use an artificial limb; or
- (9) has a disability that would be aggravated by walking 200 feet under normal environmental conditions to an extent that would be life threatening.
- (g) "Short-term certificate" means a certificate issued for a period greater than six months but not greater than 12 months.

- (h) "Six-year certificate" means a certificate issued for a period of six years.
- (i) "Temporary certificate" means a certificate issued for a period not greater than six months.

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Signed by the governor March 12, 2019, 3:02 p.m.