

**SENATE**  
**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
**EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION**

**S.F. No. 345**

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
01/26/2015	135	Introduction and first reading Referred to Transportation and Public Safety
01/29/2015	174	Author added Wiger
02/26/2015	417a	Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
 1.2 relating to transportation; establishing purple heart designation on driver's  
 1.3 licenses and Minnesota identification cards; providing for state park permits;  
 1.4 amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 85.053, by adding a subdivision;  
 1.5 171.07, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 85.053, is amended by adding a  
 1.8 subdivision to read:

1.9 Subd. 11. **Free entrance; Purple Heart recipients.** The commissioner shall issue  
 1.10 without a fee an annual park permit or a daily park permit to a motor vehicle being used by  
 1.11 the holder of a driver's license or Minnesota identification card bearing the Purple Heart  
 1.12 designation as provided under section 171.07, subdivision 18.

1.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2016.

1.14 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 171.07, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 1.15 to read:

1.16 Subd. 18. **Purple Heart designation.** (a) At the request of an eligible applicant and  
 1.17 on payment of the required fee, the department shall issue, renew, or reissue to the applicant  
 1.18 a driver's license or Minnesota identification card bearing a Purple Heart designation.

1.19 (b) At the time of application for the designation provided under this subdivision, the  
 1.20 applicant must meet the requirements for a special combat wounded license plate under  
 1.21 section 168.123, subdivision 2, paragraph (e).

1.22 (c) The commissioner shall consult with interested groups on the design of the  
 1.23 designation.

2.1            **EFFECTIVE DATE; NOTIFICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
2.2            final enactment and applies to applications submitted on or after the earlier of (1) January  
2.3            1, 2017, or (2) the date after which the commissioner has entered into a new contract and  
2.4            coordinated production of a new license and card design with modifications required by law.