

By Senator Ring

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to disabled parking permits; amending
3 s. 320.0848, F.S.; requiring a disabled parking permit
4 placard to display the person's image; providing an
5 effective date.

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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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9 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) and paragraph
10 (a) of subsection (3) of section 320.0848, Florida Statutes, are
11 amended to read:

12 320.0848 Persons who have disabilities; issuance of
13 disabled parking permits; temporary permits; permits for certain
14 providers of transportation services to persons who have
15 disabilities.—

16 (2) DISABLED PARKING PERMIT; PERSONS WITH LONG-TERM
17 MOBILITY PROBLEMS.—

18 (a) The disabled parking permit is a placard that can be
19 placed in a motor vehicle so as to be visible from the front and
20 rear of the vehicle. Each side of the placard must have the
21 international symbol of accessibility in a contrasting color in
22 the center so as to be visible. One side of the placard must
23 display a color photograph or digital image of the applicant and
24 the applicant's driver ~~driver's~~ license number or state
25 identification card number along with a warning that the
26 applicant must have such identification at all times while using
27 the parking permit. In those cases where the severity of the
28 disability prevents a disabled person from physically visiting
29 or being transported to a driver license or tax collector office

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30 to obtain a driver ~~driver's~~ license or identification card, a
31 certifying physician may sign the exemption section of the
32 department's parking permit application to exempt the disabled
33 person from being issued a driver ~~driver's~~ license or
34 identification card for the number to be displayed on the
35 parking permit. A validation sticker must also be issued with
36 each disabled parking permit, showing the month and year of
37 expiration on each side of the placard. Validation stickers must
38 be of the size specified by the Department of Highway Safety and
39 Motor Vehicles and must be affixed to the disabled parking
40 permits. The disabled parking permits must use the same colors
41 as license plate validations.

42 (3) DISABLED PARKING PERMIT; TEMPORARY.—

43 (a) The temporary disabled parking permit is a placard of a
44 different color from the color of the long-term disabled parking
45 permit placard, and must clearly display the date of expiration
46 in large print and with color coding, but is identical to the
47 long-term disabled parking permit placard in all other respects,
48 including, but not limited to, the inclusion of a color
49 photograph or digital image of the applicant and a state
50 identification card number or driver ~~driver's~~ license number on
51 one side of the temporary permit. The temporary disabled parking
52 permit placard must be designed to conspicuously display the
53 expiration date of the permit on the front and back of the
54 placard.

55 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.