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Senator Crist moved the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 1, line 9, through  
page 3, line 15, delete those lines

and insert:

Section 1. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (1)  
and subsection (9) of section 320.0848, Florida Statutes, are  
amended to read:

320.0848 Persons who have disabilities; issuance of  
disabled parking permits; temporary permits; permits for  
certain providers of transportation services to persons who  
have disabilities.--

(1)

(b)1. The person must be currently certified as being  
legally blind or as having any of the following disabilities  
that render him or her unable to walk 200 feet without  
stopping to rest:

a. Inability to walk without the use of or assistance  
from a brace, cane, crutch, prosthetic device, or other

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1 assistive device, or without the assistance of another person.  
 2 If the assistive device significantly restores the person's  
 3 ability to walk to the extent that the person can walk without  
 4 severe limitation, the person is not eligible for the  
 5 exemption parking permit.

6           b. The need to permanently use a wheelchair.

7           c. Restriction by lung disease to the extent that the  
 8 person's forced (respiratory) expiratory volume for 1 second,  
 9 when measured by spirometry, is less than 1 liter, or the  
 10 person's arterial oxygen is less than 60 mm/hg on room air at  
 11 rest.

12           d. Use of portable oxygen.

13           e. Restriction by cardiac condition to the extent that  
 14 the person's functional limitations are classified in severity  
 15 as Class III or Class IV according to standards set by the  
 16 American Heart Association.

17           f. Severe limitation in the person's ability to walk  
 18 due to an arthritic, neurological, or orthopedic condition.

19           2. The certification of disability which is required  
 20 under subparagraph 1. must be provided by a physician licensed  
 21 under chapter 458, chapter 459, or chapter 460, by a podiatric  
 22 physician licensed under chapter 461, by an optometrist  
 23 licensed under chapter 463, by an advanced registered nurse  
 24 practitioner licensed under chapter 464 ~~in a facility operated~~  
 25 ~~by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs~~ under the  
 26 protocol of a licensed physician as stated in this  
 27 subparagraph, by a physician assistant licensed under chapter  
 28 458 or chapter 459 ~~in a facility operated by the United States~~  
 29 ~~Department of Veterans Affairs, by the Adjudication Office of~~  
 30 ~~the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or its~~  
 31 ~~predecessor~~, or by a similarly licensed physician from another

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1 state if the application is accompanied by documentation of  
2 the physician's licensure in the other state and a form signed  
3 by the out-of-state physician verifying his or her knowledge  
4 of this state's eligibility guidelines.

5 (c) The certificate of disability must include, but  
6 need not be limited to:

7 1. The disability of the applicant; the certifying  
8 ~~practitioner's~~ ~~physician's~~ name and address; the  
9 ~~practitioner's~~ ~~physician's~~ certification number; the  
10 eligibility criteria for the permit; the penalty for  
11 falsification by either the certifying ~~practitioner~~ ~~physician~~  
12 or the applicant; the duration of the condition that entitles  
13 the person to the permit; and justification for the additional  
14 placard pursuant to subsection (2).

15 2. The statement, in bold letters: "A disabled parking  
16 permit may be issued only for a medical necessity that  
17 severely affects mobility."

18 3. The signatures of:

19 a. The applicant's physician or other certifying  
20 practitioner.†

21 b. The applicant or the applicant's parent or  
22 guardian.† ~~and~~

23 c. The employee of the department's authorized agent  
24 which employee is processing the application.

25 (9) A violation of this section is grounds for  
26 disciplinary action under s. 458.331, s. 459.015, s. 460.413,  
27 ~~or~~ s. 461.013, s. 463.016, or s. 464.018, as applicable.

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31 And the title is amended as follows:

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1           On page 1, line 4, following the semicolon,

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3 insert:

4           providing for disciplinary action for violation

5           by certain certifying practitioners;

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