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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to disabled veterans; amending s. 295.16,
 3 F.S.; expanding exemption from certain fees relating to
 4 structural improvements to a disabled veteran's residence;
 5 providing an 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. Section 295.16, Florida Statutes, is amended to
 10 read:

11 295.16 Disabled veterans exempt from certain license or
 12 permit fee.--No totally and permanently disabled veteran who is
 13 a resident of Florida and honorably discharged from the Armed
 14 Forces, who has been issued a valid identification card by the
 15 Department of Veterans' Affairs in accordance with s. 295.17 or
 16 has been determined by the United States Department of Veterans
 17 Affairs or its predecessor to have a service-connected 100-
 18 percent disability rating for compensation, or who has been
 19 determined to have a service-connected disability rating of 100
 20 percent and is in receipt of disability retirement pay from any
 21 branch of the uniformed armed services, shall be required to pay
 22 any license or permit fee, by whatever name known, to any county
 23 or municipality in order to make improvements upon a dwelling
 24 ~~mobile home~~ owned by the veteran which is used as the veteran's
 25 residence, provided such improvements are limited to ramps,
 26 widening of doors, and similar improvements for the purpose of
 27 making the dwelling ~~mobile home~~ habitable for veterans confined
 28 to wheelchairs.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.