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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

Senator Abruzzo moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 1891 and 1892

insert:

Section 34. Yellow dot critical motorist medical information program; yellow dot decal, folder, and information form.—

(1) The governing body of a county may create a yellow dot critical motorist medical information program to facilitate the provision of emergency medical care to program participants by emergency medical responders by making critical medical



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12 information readily available to responders in the event of a
13 motor vehicle accident or a medical emergency involving a
14 participant's vehicle.

15 (2) (a) The governing body of a county may solicit
16 sponsorships from business entities and not-for-profit
17 organizations to cover the costs of the program, including the
18 cost of decals and folders that must be provided free of charge
19 to participants. Two or more counties may enter into an
20 interlocal agreement to solicit such sponsorships.

21 (b) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles or
22 the Department of Transportation may provide education and
23 training to encourage emergency medical responders to
24 participate in the program and may take reasonable measures to
25 publicize the program.

26 (3) Any owner or lessee of a motor vehicle may request to
27 participate in the program in the manner prescribed by the
28 governing body of the county. A participant shall receive a
29 yellow dot decal, a yellow dot folder, and a form on which the
30 participant shall provide his or her personal and medical
31 information.

32 (a) The form must include a statement that the information
33 provided will be disclosed only to authorized personnel of law
34 enforcement and public safety agencies, emergency medical
35 services agencies, and hospitals for the purposes authorized in
36 subsection (5).

37 (b) The form must describe the confidential nature of the
38 medical information voluntarily provided by the participant and
39 must include a notice to the participant stating that, by
40 providing the medical information and signing the form, he or



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41 she agrees to the disclosure of the medical information to
42 authorized personnel and their use of such information solely
43 for the purposes listed in subsection (5).

44 (c) The county may not charge a fee to participate in the
45 yellow dot program.

46 (4) (a) The participant shall affix the decal onto the rear
47 window in the left lower corner of a motor vehicle or in a
48 clearly visible location on a motorcycle.

49 (b) A person who rides in a motor vehicle as a passenger
50 may also participate in the program but may not be issued a
51 decal if a decal has been issued to the owner or lessee of the
52 motor vehicle in which the person rides.

53 (c) The yellow dot folder, which shall be stored in the
54 glove compartment of the motor vehicle or in a compartment
55 attached to a motorcycle, shall contain a form with the
56 following information about the participant:

57 1. The participant's name.

58 2. The participant's photograph.

59 3. Emergency contact information for no more than two
60 persons.

61 4. The participant's medical information, including medical
62 conditions, recent surgeries, allergies, and current
63 medications.

64 5. The participant's hospital preference.

65 6. Contact information for no more than two physicians.

66 (5) (a) If the driver or a passenger of a motor vehicle is
67 involved in a motor vehicle accident or emergency situation and
68 a yellow dot decal is affixed to the vehicle, an emergency
69 medical responder at the scene may search the glove compartment



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70 of the vehicle for the corresponding yellow dot folder.

71 (b) The use of the information contained in the yellow dot
72 folder by an emergency medical responder at the scene is limited
73 to the following purposes:

74 1. To positively identify the participant.

75 2. To ascertain whether the participant has a medical
76 condition that might impede communications between the
77 participant and the responder.

78 3. To access the medical information form.

79 4. To ensure that the participant's current medications and
80 preexisting medical conditions are considered when emergency
81 medical treatment is administered for any injury to or condition
82 of the participant.

83 (6) The governing body of a participating county shall
84 adopt guidelines and procedures to prevent the public disclosure
85 of confidential information through the program.

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87 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

88 And the title is amended as follows:

89 Delete line 206

90 and insert:

91 appropriation; authorizing the governing body of a
92 county to create a yellow dot critical motorist
93 medical information program for certain purposes;
94 authorizing a county to solicit sponsorships and enter
95 into an interlocal agreement with another county to
96 solicit such sponsorships for the medical information
97 program; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety
98 and Motor Vehicles and the Department of



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99 Transportation to provide education and training and
100 publicize the program; requiring the program to be
101 free to participants; providing for yellow dot program
102 decals, folders, and participant information forms;
103 providing procedures for use of the decal, folder, and
104 form; providing for limited use of information on the
105 forms by emergency medical responders; requiring the
106 governing body of a participating county to adopt
107 guidelines and procedures to ensure that confidential
108 information is not made public; providing an effective
109 date.