

By Senator Cruz

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to medical marijuana identification
3 cards for service-disabled veterans; amending s.
4 381.986, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of Health
5 from charging a fee for the issuance, replacement, or
6 renewal of an identification card for the medical use
7 of marijuana for a service-disabled veteran or his or
8 her caregiver if a specified form is included with the
9 identification card application; providing an
10 effective date.

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12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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14 Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (7) of section
15 381.986, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

16 381.986 Medical use of marijuana.—

17 (7) IDENTIFICATION CARDS.—

18 (d) Applications for identification cards must be submitted
19 on a form prescribed by the department. The department may
20 charge a reasonable fee associated with the issuance,
21 replacement, and renewal of identification cards. The department
22 shall allocate \$10 of the identification card fee to the
23 Division of Research at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical
24 University for the purpose of educating minorities about
25 marijuana for medical use and the impact of the unlawful use of
26 marijuana on minority communities. The department may not charge
27 a fee for the issuance, replacement, or renewal of an
28 identification card for a service-disabled veteran, as defined
29 in s. 295.187(3), or his or her caregiver if the veteran's DD-

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30 214 form is included with the application for the identification
31 card. The department shall contract with a third-party vendor to
32 issue identification cards. The vendor selected by the
33 department must have experience performing similar functions for
34 other state agencies.

35 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.