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Introduced by M. of A. WALTER -- read once and referred to the Committee
on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to eliminating
certain fees for veterans who request the addition of a veteran nota-
tion to valid licenses and identification cards

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Paragraph (a-1) of subdivision 1 of section 504 of the
2 vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 487 of the laws of 2012, is
3 amended to read as follows:
4 (a-1) Every license or renewal thereof issued to an applicant who was
5 a member of the armed forces of the United States and received an honor-
6 able discharge or was released therefrom under honorable conditions
7 shall, upon his or her request and submission of proof as set forth
8 herein, contain a distinguishing mark, in such form as the commissioner
9 shall determine, indicating that he or she is a veteran. Such proof
10 shall consist of a certificate of release or discharge from active duty
11 including but not limited to a DD Form 214 or other proof satisfactory
12 to the commissioner. The commissioner shall not require fees for the
13 issuance of such licenses or renewals thereof to persons requesting a
14 veteran notation which is different from fees otherwise required. THE
15 COMMISSIONER SHALL NOT REQUIRE A FEE FOR THE ADDITION OF A VETERAN NOTA-
16 TION TO A VALID EXISTING LICENSE WHICH IS NOT BEING RENEWED AT THE TIME
17 THE ADDITION OF THE VETERAN NOTATION IS REQUESTED.
18 S 2. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 of section 490 of the vehicle and
19 traffic law, as amended by chapter 487 of the laws of 2012, is amended
20 to read as follows:
21 (b) The identification card shall contain a distinguishing number or
22 mark and adequate space upon which an anatomical gift, pursuant to arti-
23 cle forty-three of the public health law, by the holder may be recorded
24 and shall contain such other information and shall be issued in such

EXPLANATION--Matter in *ITALICS* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 form as the commissioner shall determine; provided, however, every iden-
2 tification card or renewal thereof issued to a person under the age of
3 twenty-one years shall have prominently imprinted thereon the statement
4 "UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE" in notably distinctive print or format.
5 Provided, further, however, that every identification card issued to an
6 applicant who was a member of the armed forces of the United States and
7 received [on] AN honorable discharge or was released therefrom under
8 honorable conditions shall, upon his or her request and submission of
9 proof as set forth herein, contain a distinguishing mark, in such form
10 as the commissioner shall determine, indicating that he or she is a
11 veteran. Such proof shall consist of a certificate of release or
12 discharge from active duty including but not limited to a DD Form 214 or
13 other proof satisfactory to the commissioner. The commissioner shall not
14 require fees for the issuance of such identification cards or renewals
15 thereof to persons under twenty-one years of age which are different
16 from the fees required for the issuance of identification cards or
17 renewals thereof to persons twenty-one years of age or over, nor fees to
18 persons requesting a veteran notation which are different from fees that
19 would otherwise be required. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL NOT REQUIRE A FEE
20 FOR THE ADDITION OF A VETERAN NOTATION TO A VALID EXISTING IDENTIFICA-
21 TION CARD WHICH IS NOT BEING RENEWED AT THE TIME THE ADDITION OF THE
22 VETERAN NOTATION IS REQUESTED.
23 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.