

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

July 29, 2026

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Yeger) --
read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to handicapped
parking permits for persons seventy-five years old and older

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 1203-a of the vehicle and traffic
2 law, as amended by chapter 220 of the laws of 1984, is amended to read
3 as follows:

4 3. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary,
5 any municipality may issue a temporary special vehicle identification
6 parking permit to any person who is temporarily unable to ambulate with-
7 out the aid of an assisting device, as certified by a physician. Such
8 temporary special vehicle identification parking permit shall be valid
9 for not more than six months and shall be recognized statewide.

10 (b) Any resident of New York state who is seventy-five years of age or
11 older and who was issued a temporary special vehicle identification
12 parking permit pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subdivision shall be
13 eligible to apply for and shall be issued a permit pursuant to subdivi-
14 sion one of this section, as though such person was a severely disabled
15 person, as defined in subdivision four of section four hundred
16 four-a of this chapter, without providing updated medical certification
17 or additional medical documents upon application for renewal or issuance
18 of the permit.

19 § 1-a. Subdivision 3 of section 1203-a of the vehicle and traffic law,
20 as amended by chapter 159 of the laws of 2026, is amended to read as
21 follows:

22 3. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary,
23 any municipality may issue a temporary special vehicle identification
24 parking permit to any person who is temporarily unable to ambulate with-
25 out the aid of an assisting device, as certified by any healthcare prac-
26 titioner authorized to certify that an individual is severely disabled
27 pursuant to subdivision four of section four hundred four-a of this
28 chapter. Such temporary special vehicle identification parking permit

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

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10 tional medical documents upon application for renewal or issuance of the
11 permit.

12 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all
13 permits issued or renewed on or after such effective date; provided,
14 however, that the amendments to subdivision 3 of section 1203-a of the
15 vehicle and traffic law made by section one-a of this act shall take
16 effect on the same date and in the same manner as section 5 of chapter
17 159 of the laws of 2026 takes effect.