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 1/28/2015 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 31](file:///h%3A%5CSJ%20Archive%5C2015%5C01-28-15.docx))

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(A23, R44, S153)

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 12‑37‑220, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION ON TWO PRIVATE PASSENGER VEHICLES OWNED OR LEASED BY A DISABLED VETERAN, SO AS TO ALLOW THE EXEMPTION TO THE SURVIVING SPOUSE OF THE PERSON ON ONE PRIVATE PASSENGER VEHICLE OWNED OR LEASED BY THE SPOUSE FOR THE SPOUSE’S LIFETIME OR UNTIL THE REMARRIAGE OF THE SURVIVING SPOUSE.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

**Disabled veteran vehicle exemption extended to surviving spouse**

SECTION 1. Section 12‑37‑220(B)(3) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

 “(3) two private passenger vehicles owned or leased by any disabled veteran designated by the veteran for which special license tags have been issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles under the provisions of Sections 56‑3‑1110 to 56‑3‑1130 or, in lieu of the license, if the veteran has a certificate signed by the county service officer or the Veterans Administration of the total and permanent disability which must be filed with the Department of Motor Vehicles. The exemption extends to the surviving spouse of the person on one private passenger vehicle owned or leased by the spouse for their lifetime or until the remarriage of the surviving spouse;”

**Time effective**

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Ratified the 28th day of May, 2015.

Approved the 1st day of June, 2015.

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