**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 56‑1‑140, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF A DRIVER’S LICENSE, ITS COST, AND ITS CONTENTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A HOLDER OF A CONCEALED WEAPON PERMIT MAY HAVE A DESIGNATION PLACED ON HIS DRIVER’S LICENSE THAT IDENTIFIES HIM AS A HOLDER OF A PERMIT FOR A FEE.

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

SECTION 1. Section 56‑1‑140 of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 147 of 2012, is further amended to read:

“Section 56‑1‑140. (A) Upon payment of a fee of twelve dollars and fifty cents for a license that is valid for five years, or twenty‑five dollars for a license that is valid for ten years, the Department of Motor Vehicles shall issue to every qualified applicant a driver’s license as applied for by law. The license must bear on it a distinguishing number assigned to the licensee, the full name, date of birth, residence address, a brief description and laminated colored photograph of the licensee, and a facsimile of the signature of the licensee, or a space upon which the licensee shall write his usual signature with pen and ink immediately upon receipt of the license. No license is valid until it has been so signed by the licensee. The license authorizes the licensee to operate only those classifications of vehicles as indicated on the license.

(B) An applicant for a new, renewed, or replacement South Carolina driver’s license may apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles to obtain a veteran designation on the front of his driver’s license by providing:

(1) a United States Department of Defense discharge certificate, also known as a DD Form 214, that shows a characterization of service, or discharge status of ‘honorable’ or ‘general under honorable conditions’ and establishes the person’s qualifying military service in the United States Armed Forces; and

(2) payment of a one dollar fee that must be retained by the department.

The Department of Motor Vehicles may determine the appropriate form of the veteran designation placed on the driver’s license authorized pursuant to this section.

(C) An applicant for a new, renewed, or replacement South Carolina driver’s license may apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles to obtain a concealed weapon permit designation placed on the front of the driver’s license by providing to the department:

(1) a valid South Carolina concealed weapon permit; and

(2) payment of a one‑dollar fee that must be retained by the department.

The Department of Motor Vehicles may determine the appropriate form of concealed weapon permit designation placed on the driver’s license authorized pursuant to this section.

~~(C)~~(D) The fees collected pursuant to this section must be credited to the Department of Transportation State Non‑Federal Aid Highway Fund.”

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

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