



OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

Bill Analysis

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BILL SUMMARY

- Requires the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to issue a nondriver identification card that does not have an expiration date to an Ohio resident who is permanently disabled.
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CONTENT AND OPERATION

Nondriver identification cards

Background

Under current law, any resident or temporary resident of Ohio who does not hold a driver's license issued by any state may apply for an identification card issued by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles or a deputy registrar.¹ Such an identification card is provided for the purpose of establishing the identity of the bearer, and includes a color photograph and information similar to that found on a driver's license.² An identification card expires on the birthday of the cardholder in the fourth year after the date on which it is issued.³

Expiration date for a resident who is permanently disabled

The bill requires the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to issue a nondriver identification card without an expiration date (see **COMMENT**) to an Ohio resident who is permanently disabled. For purposes of issuing the identification cards, an Ohio

¹ R.C. 4507.50(A), not in the bill.

² R.C. 4507.51(A), not in the bill, and 4507.52(A).

³ R.C. 4507.52(A)(8)(a) and (B)(5).

resident who is permanently disabled has a condition of disability from which there is no present indication of recovery. The bill requires the Registrar to adopt rules governing the documentation a cardholder must submit in order to certify that the cardholder is permanently disabled.⁴

COMMENT

R.C. 3501.01(AA)(4) defines "photo identification" for purposes of the Elections Law. Under that division, a photo identification document is required to include an expiration date that has not passed. In light of this requirement, it appears that a nondriver identification card issued without an expiration date in accordance with the bill could not be used for voting purposes.

HISTORY

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⁴ R.C. 4507.52(A)(8)(b).

