SLS 20RS-220 **ORIGINAL**

2020 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 134

BY SENATOR WOMACK

MOTOR VEHICLES. Authorizes inclusion of notice on driver's license of health condition that may impede ability to communicate with a peace officer. (8/1/20)

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:412(O), relative to motor vehicles; to provide for identification of persons who need accommodation; relative to health conditions that impede communication; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 32:412 (O) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§412. Amount of fees; credit or refund; duration of license; veteran designation; disabled veteran designation; university logo; "I'm a Cajun" designation; needs accommodation designation; disbursement of funds; renewal by mail or electronic commerce of Class "D" or "E" drivers' licenses; disposition of certain fees; exception

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O.(1) Upon request of an applicant for a driver's license who needs accommodation, a designation that the applicant needs accommodation shall be exhibited on the driver's license, upon presentation of a statement from a qualified medical professional licensed in Louisiana or any other state or territory of the United States verifying the medical reason, including any mental, physical, ~~or~~

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~~developmental disability~~ **developmental disability, or any other health condition that may impede the applicant's ability to communicate with a peace officer**, the applicant needs accommodation as established by administrative rule. No additional fee shall be charged to include such designation.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Xavier I. Alexander.

DIGEST

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Present law provides that an applicant for a driver's license who needs accommodation, shall have a designation that the applicant needs accommodation on the applicant's driver's license, upon the applicant providing a statement from a qualified medical professional verifying a medical reason, including any mental, physical, or developmental disability.

Proposed law retains present law and adds any health condition that may impede the applicant's ability to communicate with a peace officer as a medical reason.

Effective August 1, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 32:412(O))

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