Adopted COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill No. 1281

BY: Committee

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

9	SECTION 1. As used in this article, the term:
10	(a) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of the
11	Department of Public Safety.
12	(b) "Department" means Department of Public Safety.
13	(c) "Disability" means any physical, mental or
14	neurological impairment which severely restricts a person's
15	mobility, manual dexterity or ability to climb stairs; substantial
16	loss of sight or hearing; loss of one or more limbs or use
17	thereof; or significantly diminished reasoning capacity.
18	(d) "Identification card for persons with disabilities"
19	means an identification card issued as provided in this article.
20	(e) "Permanent disability" means any disability which
21	is permanent in nature or which is expected to continue for a
22	period of at least five (5) years.
23	(f) "Person with disabilities" means any person with a
24	permanent or temporary disability.
25	(g) "Temporary disability" means any disability which
26	is expected to continue for at least six (6) months but less than
27	five (5) years.

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SECTION 2. (1) The Department of Public Safety shall issue 28 29 personal identification cards to persons with disabilities who 30 make application to the department in accordance with rules and 31 regulations prescribed by the commissioner. The identification 32 card for persons with disabilities shall prominently display the 33 international handicapped symbol and, in addition to any other information required by this act, may contain a recent color 34 photograph of the applicant and the following information: 35 Full legal name; 36 (a) Address of residence; 37 (b) 38 (C) Birth date; Date identification card was issued; 39 (d) 40 Date identification card expires; (e) (f) Sex; 41 Height; 42 (g) (h) Weight; 43 44 (i) Eye color; 45 Location where the identification card was issued; (j) Signature of person identified or facsimile 46 (k) 47 thereof; Fingerprint of person identified; and 48 (1) 49 (m) Such other information as required by the 50 department. The identification card for persons with disabilities 51 (2) 52 shall bear the signatures of the commissioner and the Governor and shall bear an identification card number which shall not be the 53 54 same as the applicant's social security number, unless the person 55 specifically requests that the social security number be used. 56 The commissioner shall prescribe the form of identification cards 57 issued pursuant to this article to persons who are not United 58 States citizens and who do not possess a social security issued by 59 the United States government. The identification cards of such

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60 persons shall include a number and any other identifying61 information prescribed by the commissioner.

62 <u>SECTION 3.</u> (1) The identification card for persons with 63 disabilities shall be issued to a person with a permanent 64 disability for a period of four (4) years and shall be renewable 65 on the applicant's birthday in the fourth year following such 66 issuance. The identification cards shall be issued to persons:

67 (a) With obvious permanent disabilities without further68 verification of disability; and

(b) With disabilities which are not obvious upon
presentation of the current sworn affidavit of at least one (1)
medical doctor attesting to such permanent disability. A current
affidavit shall be presented at each request for renewal.

73 (2) The identification card for persons with disabilities 74 shall be issued to a person with a temporary disability upon 75 presentation of a sworn affidavit of at least one (1) medical 76 doctor attesting to such disability and estimating the duration of 77 such disability. Such identification cards shall be issued for periods of six (6) months. A current affidavit of a medical 78 79 doctor attesting to the continuance of such disability shall be presented at each request for renewal thereafter. 80

81 SECTION 4. The face of the identification card for persons with disabilities shall bear the word "TRANSPORTATION" with a box 82 or blank space adjacent thereto. The issuer of the card shall 83 84 place an 'X' in such box or blank space if the applicant's disability creates mobility limitations which prevent him or her 85 86 from climbing stairs or otherwise from entering normally designed buses or other vehicles normally used for public transportation. 87 When so marked, the identification card for persons with 88 disabilities shall serve as sufficient proof of the need for 89 90 special transportation services for persons with disabilities 91 provided by any entity in this state.

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SECTION 5. The identification card for persons with 92 disabilities shall bear the word "SEATING" with a box or blank 93 space adjacent thereto. The issuer of the card shall place an "X" 94 95 in such box or blank space if the applicant's disability creates 96 mobility or health limitations which prevent him or her from 97 climbing stairs or steep inclines. When so marked, the identification card for persons with disabilities shall be 98 sufficient to admit the holder to seating for persons with 99 100 disabilities at public events in this state.

101 <u>SECTION 6.</u> The commissioner shall promulgate rules and 102 regulations under which this article shall be implemented.

103 <u>SECTION 7.</u> The department shall require an applicant for an 104 identification card for persons with disabilities to furnish a 105 birth certificate or other verifiable evidence stating the 106 applicant's birth date.

107 <u>SECTION 8.</u> The department shall collect a fee of Fifteen 108 Dollars (\$15.00) for an identification card for persons with 109 disabilities, which fee shall be deposited in the State Treasury 110 in the same manner as motor vehicle driver's license fees.

111 **SECTION 9.** It is a misdemeanor for any person:

(a) To lend his or her identification card for persons with disabilities to any other person or knowingly to permit the use thereof by another; and

(b) To display or represent as his or her own any identification card for persons with disabilities not issued to him or her.

SECTION 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2005.

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