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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Establishing Special License Plates for the Handicapped.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

29 MRSA, § 252-A is enacted to read:

§ 252-A. Special license plates for the handicapped

The Secretary of State on application shall issue, with the payment of \$1, a set of special designating plates to be used in place of the regular registration plates, to any handicapped person, when this application is accompanied by the certification of at least 2 physicians as to that person's physical disability. These special designating plates shall bear a symbol, easily recognizable at a distance, which indicates that the vehicle is owned by a handicapped person. The Secretary of State, after suitable consultation and public hearing, shall designate the symbol.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This Act will establish special license plates for the handicapped. In an era where society is helping the physically handicapped to take an active role, the State of Maine should recognize special parking privileges for them and should enable drivers to easily recognize vehicles owned by the handicapped so that they may be careful to drive safely while near them.