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An Act to Amend the Law Regarding Disability License Plates.

Submitted by the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 204. Received by the Clerk of the House on December 7, 1999. Referred to the Committee on Transportation pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative SANBORN of Alton.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: 2 Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §521, sub-§§2 and 5, as repealed and replaced by PL 1995, c. 482, Pt. A, §4, are amended to read: 4 2. Disability registration plates. Disability registration 6 plates must bear the International Symbol of Access, which must be in a color that contrasts with the background and is the same 8 size as the letters or numbers on the plate. The Secretary of State may issue a-set-of disability registration plates to the 10 following: 12 A. A person with a disability; 14 A vehicle owner who is a spouse, parent or legal Β. 16 guardian of a person with a disability when the person with a disability is a resident of this State, a member of the relative's or guardian's household and dependent on the 18 vehicle owner as the primary means of transportation; or 20 An organization or agency in this State that transports с. persons with disabilities. 22 24 Application; issuance. An application for a disability 5. plate or placard must be accompanied by the certificate of a 26 physician attesting to that person's physical disability as defined in subsection 1. The Secretary of State shall issue to an eligible applicant ene--set--ef disability plates and ene 28 windshield placard-or-one-windshield-placard-and-a--2nd-placard placards upon request. Proof of a disability must be submitted 30 every 4 years on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State, except, when the Secretary of State determines the disability to 32 be permanent, the time may be extended. When the applicant's need for the disability placard terminates or the applicant dies, 34 the plate or placard must be immediately returned to the 36 Secretary of State. 38 SUMMARY 40 This bill allows the Secretary of State to issue more than 42 set of disability registration plates to a qualified one

applicant.