

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE BILL

No. 318

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MARCH 18, 1985

## AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, providing for physicians' verification of  
3 applicants for handicapped plate.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 1338(a) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 1338. Handicapped plate and placard.

9 (a) Handicapped plate.--On the application of any person  
10 who:

11 (1) does not have full use of a leg or both legs or an  
12 arm or both arms;

13 (2) is blind;

14 (3) is in loco parentis of a person specified in  
15 paragraph (1) or (2); or

16 (4) is physically limited by a cardiopulmonary condition

1        restricting substantially his movements;  
2        the department shall issue a special registration plate for one  
3        passenger car or other vehicle with a registered gross weight of  
4        not more than 9,000 pounds, designating the vehicle so licensed  
5        as being used by a handicapped person. Special plates for  
6        handicapped persons may also be issued for vehicles operated  
7        exclusively for the use and benefit of handicapped persons. ~~An~~ <—  
8        ~~application submitted under this subsection shall be signed by~~  
9        ~~the applicant's physician.~~

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11        (B)    HANDICAPPED PARKING PLACARD.--ON THE APPLICATION OF ANY <—  
12        PERSON WHO MEETS THE QUALIFICATIONS OF SUBSECTION (A), THE  
13        DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE ONE SPECIAL PARKING PLACARD OF SUCH SIZE  
14        AND DESIGN AS THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SPECIFY, DESIGNATING THE  
15        VEHICLE IN WHICH IT IS DISPLAYED AS BEING USED FOR THE  
16        TRANSPORTATION OF A HANDICAPPED PERSON. SUCH PLACARD SHALL BE  
17        PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED ON THE RIGHT FRONT DASH OF THE VEHICLE  
18        WHEN IT IS IN USE FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF SUCH PERSON.

19        (C)    APPLICATION.--AN APPLICATION SUBMITTED UNDER THIS  
20        SECTION SHALL BE SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT'S PHYSICIAN, WHO SHALL  
21        VERIFY THE APPLICANT'S HANDICAP.

22        Section 2.    This act shall take effect in 60 days.