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WASHINGTON, WOJNAROSKI AND YOUNGBLOOD, MAY 6, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MAY 6, 2003

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, providing for a disability sign program to reduce  
3 obstruction of certain driveways during snow removal by the  
4 Department of Transportation.

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

7 Section 1. Chapter 80 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania  
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subchapter to read:

9 SUBCHAPTER B

10 SNOW REMOVAL

11 Sec.

12 8002. Persons with disabilities snow removal program.

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14 (a) General rule.--The department shall establish or  
15 administer a program that permits persons with disabilities and  
16 whose principal residences abut a State highway to apply for a  
17 standardized sign that those persons may post on the property on  
18 which such principal residences are situated. The department

1 shall, whenever possible, attempt to minimize the blocking of  
2 driveways of properties so posted with snow that is removed by  
3 the department from State highways.

4 (b) Application.--Any person with a disability may apply to  
5 the department for a disability snow removal sign under this  
6 section. In order for the department to approve the application,  
7 the application must:

8 (1) Be submitted by a person who satisfies the criteria  
9 for a disability plate and placard under section 1338(a)(1)  
10 through (9) (relating to person with disability plate and  
11 placard) on a standardized application form developed by the  
12 department.

13 (2) Include a statement from a physician or police  
14 officer that satisfies the requirements of section 1338(c)(1)  
15 or (3).

16 (3) Include payment of a \$10 fee.

17 (c) Duration and removal.--

18 (1) A disability snow removal sign issued under this  
19 section shall be valid from the date of issuance through May  
20 1.

21 (2) A person with a disability to whom a disability snow  
22 removal sign has been issued under this section shall remove  
23 the sign by November 1 of the year in which the disability  
24 snow removal sign expires.

25 (d) Reissuance.--A person with a disability to whom a  
26 disability snow removal sign has been issued by the department  
27 and that has expired shall be entitled, in the following year,  
28 to receive a new disability snow removal sign provided that the  
29 person satisfies subsection (b)(1) and (2). The department may  
30 not charge a fee for the reissuance of a disability snow removal

1 sign under this subsection.

2 (e) Regulations.--The department shall promulgate such rules  
3 and regulations as necessary to administer this section.

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