



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 279

LCO No. 1152



Referred to Committee on VETERANS' AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

Introduced by:
(VA)

AN ACT EXEMPTING VETERANS FROM PAYMENT OF THE PASSPORT TO THE PARKS MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 14-49b of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*
3 *1, 2026*):

4 (b) For each new registration or renewal of registration of any motor
5 vehicle with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles pursuant to this
6 chapter, the person registering such vehicle shall pay to the
7 commissioner a fee of twenty-four dollars for registration for a triennial
8 period or sixteen dollars for registration for a biennial period for the
9 following registration types: Passenger, motorcycle, motor home,
10 combination or antique; [. Any] except that (1) any person who is sixty-
11 five years or older and who obtains a one-year registration renewal
12 under section 14-49 for such registration type shall pay eight dollars for
13 the annual registration period, and (2) any person who is a veteran, as
14 defined in section 27-103, and who presents documentation, satisfactory

15 to the commissioner or the commissioner's authorized representative,
16 indicating such person's status as a veteran shall be exempt from
17 payment of the fee. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to
18 any motor vehicle that is not self-propelled or that is exempted from
19 payment of a registration fee. This fee shall be identified as the "Passport
20 to the Parks Fee" on any registration form provided by the
21 commissioner. Payments collected pursuant to the provisions of this
22 subsection shall be deposited in the Passport to the Parks account
23 established pursuant to section 23-15h. The fee required by this
24 subsection is in addition to any other fees prescribed by any other
25 provision of this title for the registration of a motor vehicle. No part of
26 the "Passport to the Parks Fee" shall be subject to a refund under
27 subsection (z) of section 14-49.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2026	14-49b(b)

Statement of Purpose:

To exempt veterans from payment of the Passport to the Parks motor vehicle registration fee.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]