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Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicle operators' licenses; to amend
- 2 section 60-4,189, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018; to
- 3 provide a veteran notation for certain members of the United States
- 4 Public Health Service or National Oceanic and Atmospheric
- 5 Administration; and to repeal the original section.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 60-4,189, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
2 2018, is amended to read:

3 60-4,189 (1) An operator's license or a state identification card
4 shall include a notation of the word "veteran" on the front of the
5 license or card as directed by the department if the individual applying
6 for such license or card is eligible for the license or card and:

7 (a)(i) Has ~~(a)~~ has served on active duty in the armed forces of the
8 United States, other than active duty for training, and was discharged or
9 otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or general
10 (under honorable conditions) from such service; or ~~τ~~

11 (ii) Has served as a commissioned officer of the United States
12 Public Health Service or National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
13 and was detailed directly to any branch of the armed forces of the United
14 States for service on active or reserve duty and who was discharged or
15 otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or general
16 (under honorable conditions) as proven with valid orders from the United
17 States Department of Defense, a statement of service provided by the
18 United States Public Health Service, or a report of transfer or discharge
19 provided by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and

20 (b) Registers ~~registers~~ with the Department of Veterans' Affairs
21 pursuant to section 80-414 as verification of such service; ~~τ~~ and

22 (c) Indicates ~~indicates~~ on the application under section 60-484 his
23 or her wish to include such notation on his or her license or card.

24 (2) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall consult the registry
25 established pursuant to section 80-414 before placing the notation of the
26 word "veteran" on the operator's license or state identification card
27 issued to the applicant. Such notation shall not be authorized unless the
28 registry verifies the applicant's eligibility. If the Director of Motor
29 Vehicles discovers evidence of fraud in an application under this
30 section, the director may summarily cancel the license or state
31 identification card and send notice of the cancellation to the licensee

1 or cardholder. If the Department of Motor Vehicles has information that
2 an individual is no longer eligible for the notation, the department may
3 summarily cancel the license and send notice of the cancellation to the
4 licensee or cardholder. The notation shall not be restored until the
5 Department of Motor Vehicles subsequently verifies the applicant's
6 eligibility by consulting the registry of the Department of Veterans'
7 Affairs.

8 (3) The notation authorized in subsection (1) of this section shall
9 continue to be included on the license or card upon renewal of such
10 license or card if the licensee or cardholder, at the time of renewal,
11 indicates the desire to include the notation.

12 (4) An individual may obtain a replacement operator's license or
13 state identification card to add or remove the notation authorized in
14 subsection (1) of this section by applying to the Department of Motor
15 Vehicles for such replacement license or card and, if adding the
16 notation, by meeting the requirements of subsection (1) of this section.
17 The fee for such replacement license or card shall be the fee provided in
18 section 60-4,115.

19 Sec. 2. Original section 60-4,189, Revised Statutes Cumulative
20 Supplement, 2018, is repealed.