
OLR Bill Analysis

HB 6259

***AN ACT CONCERNING A STATE IDENTIFICATION CARD FEE
WAIVER FOR BLIND VETERANS.***

SUMMARY:

This bill authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles commissioner to waive the \$22.50 state identification card fee for any applicant who is a blind veteran. For eligibility purposes:

1. a "veteran" is an individual honorably discharged or released under honorable conditions from active service in the U.S. armed forces (CGS § 27-103) and
2. someone is considered blind if his or her central visual acuity does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with correcting lenses, or if it is better than 20/200 but is accompanied by a limitation in his or her fields of vision such that the widest diameter of the visual field subtends an angle of no more than 20 degrees (CGS § 1-1f).

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2011

COMMITTEE ACTION

Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Joint Favorable Change of Reference
Yea 7 Nay 0 (02/15/2011)

Transportation Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference
Yea 36 Nay 0 (03/18/2011)

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 49 Nay 0 (04/25/2011)