Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1483**

Introduced by

Representatives Schatz, Johnston, Meier, Strinden

Senator Unruh

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 39-01 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to parking privileges for pregnant women; and to provide a continuing
- 3 appropriation.

## 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- 5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 39-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:
- 7 Parking privileges for pregnant women Certificate Continuing appropriation.
- 8 <u>1.</u> The director shall issue, for a fee of five dollars, a special identifying certificate to a
- 9 woman who is in her third trimester of pregnancy or to a mother with a child under the
- age of one. The certificate is valid for a period not to exceed fifteen months or until the
- 11 <u>child reaches the age of one, whichever occurs first.</u>
- 12 <u>2. A pregnant woman or a mother of a child under the age of one who displays</u>
- prominently upon a motor vehicle parked by her or under her direction, the
- distinguishing certificate specified in subsection 1 is entitled to courtesy in the parking
- of the motor vehicle and may park in a space reserved for the mobility impaired in
- 16 accordance with section 39-01-15.
- 17 3. A certificate issued under this subsection must be nine and one-half inches
- 18 [24.13 centimeters] in height and three inches [7.62 centimeters] in width. The
- certificate must bear the expiration date and registration number assigned by the
- 20 director.
- 21 <u>4. A certificate issued under this section must be hung from the rearview mirror of the</u>
- 22 motor vehicle whenever the vehicle is occupying a space reserved for the mobility
- impaired and is being used by a pregnant woman or a mother of child under the age of

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- one. No part of the certificate may be obscured. A fee of five dollars may be imposed for a violation of this subsection.
- 5. Two dollars of each fee for issuance or replacement of a certificate must be deposited in the state highway department fund for purposes of defraying the cost of issuing the certificate. The remainder of the fee must be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the state rehabilitation council fund. The fees deposited in the fund are appropriated on a continuing basis to the department of human services for use by the state rehabilitation council to accomplish the council's statutory duties provided under section 50-06.1-16.
  - 6. If a certificate is lost, mutilated, or destroyed, the individual to whom the certificate was issued is entitled to a replacement. The individual shall furnish proof satisfactory to the director that the certificate has been lost, mutilated, or destroyed, and shall pay a replacement fee of three dollars.