

# Department of Finance and Administration

## Legislative Impact Statement

**Bill: SB266**

**Bill Subtitle: TO AUTHORIZE A COMMUNICATION IMPEDIMENT DESIGNATION AND DECAL DUE TO A MEDICAL CONDITION.**

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### **Basic Change :**

SB266 allows, but does not require, a person, their parent, or guardian, to apply to the Office of Driver Services ("Office") for a communication designation on a person's driver's license or identification card (ID) if the requirements of this section are satisfied. These requirements are payment of the fee for the driver's license or ID card and to submit documentation from a physician that the person has a medical condition which impedes their ability to communicate including, but not limited to, Alzheimer's disease, autism disorders, and Down syndrome. If the person is seeking a duplicate or substitute driver's license or ID card with the designation to replace a driver's license or ID the normal fee for a replacement card will be collected by the Office. Under the bill, DFA shall design a license plate decal indicating that a person present in a motor vehicle has a medical condition that may impede their ability to communicate. The bill provides that the license decal fee shall be \$1.00. The Office may determine the appropriate placement of the designation on the driver's license or ID card and promulgate the necessary rules to implement this section.

### **Revenue Impact :**

None.

### **Taxpayer Impact :**

A person that qualifies for this designation may be issued a driver's license or identification card and license tag indicating the person has a communication impediment.

### **Resources Required :**

DFA will require additional programming estimated to cost \$9,000.00. DFA will also be required to produce a decal that is estimated to cost \$1500.00. Additional training will be required for Motor Vehicle and Revenue Office personnel if this bill is passed.

### **Time Required :**

Adequate time is provided for implementation.

### **Procedural Changes :**

None.

### **Other Comments :**

None.

### **Legal Analysis :**

None.