CHAPTER 2002-243

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 1178

An act relating to temporary parking permits for disabled persons; amending s. 320.0848, F.S.; reducing the term of such permits; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 320.0848, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

320.0848 Persons who have disabilities; issuance of disabled parking permits; temporary permits; permits for certain providers of transportation services to persons who have disabilities.—

(1)(a) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles or its authorized agents shall, upon application and receipt of the fee, issue a disabled parking permit for a period of up to 4 years, which period ends on the applicant's birthday, to any person who has long-term mobility impairment, or a temporary disabled parking permit not to exceed <u>6 months 1 year</u> to any person who has a temporary mobility impairment. No person will be required to pay a fee for a parking permit for disabled persons more than once in a 12-month period from the date of the prior fee payment.

(3) DISABLED PARKING PERMIT; TEMPORARY.—

(b) The department shall issue the temporary disabled parking permit for the period of the disability as stated by the certifying physician, but not to exceed <u>6 months</u> 1 year.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

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