



HOUSE BILL 1033: ID Card Fee Waiver/Disability.

**This Bill Analysis
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contents of the bill
as it was presented
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SUMMARY: House Bill 1033 would provide a waiver to the special identification card application fee for those who are considered developmentally disabled under G.S. 122C-3.

CURRENT LAW: G.S. 20-37.7 governs the issuance of special identification cards. Unless an exemption applies under G.S. 20-37.7(d), a person must pay an application fee of thirteen dollars (\$13.00) to receive a special identification card. To receive an exemption, the applicant must be one of following:

- Blind;
- At least 70 years of age;
- Physically or mentally disabled which caused a cancellation of the applicant's driver's license;
- Homeless;
- Registered to vote in this State with no acceptable photo identification; or
- Attempting to register to vote in this State with no acceptable photo identification.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 1033 would provide another exemption from the special identification card application fee for those who can demonstrate via a physician’s letter to the Division of Motor Vehicles that they have a developmental disability. Developmental disability is defined under G.S. 122C-3(12a) to mean a severe, chronic disability of a person that:

- Is attributable to a mental or physical impairment or combination of mental and physical impairments;
- Is manifested before the person attains age 22, unless the disability is caused by a traumatic head injury and is manifested after age 22;
- Is likely to continue indefinitely;
- Results in substantial functional limitations in three or more of the following areas of major life activity: self-care, receptive and expressive language, capacity for independent living, learning, mobility, self-direction and economic self-sufficiency; and
- Reflects the person's need for a combination and sequence of special interdisciplinary, or generic care, treatment, or other services which are of a lifelong or extended duration and are individually planned and coordinated; or
- When applied to children from birth through four years of age, may be evidenced as a developmental delay.

EFFECTIVE DATE: House Bill 1033 becomes effective July 1, 2016, and applies to special identification cards issued on or after that date.

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