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A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to motor vehicle registration and license plates; to authorize the issuance of a distinctive license plate decal to individuals who have certain medical conditions and to the primary caregivers of those individuals.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) For purposes of this section, the term "invisible disability" means a physical or mental condition that may interfere with an individual's ability to communicate with a first responder, including:

- (1) A communication impediment;
- (2) Hearing loss;
- (3) Blindness or a visual impairment;
- (4) Autism spectrum disorder;
- (5) Traumatic brain injury;
- (6) Schizophrenia;
- (7) Alzheimer's disease or dementia;
- (8) Post traumatic stress disorder;
- (9) Epilepsy;
- (10) A developmental disability;
- (11) Down syndrome;



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29 (12) Diabetes;

30 (13) A heart condition; or

31 (14) A cognitive disability.

32 (b) An owner of a motor vehicle who is a resident of
33 Alabama and who has been diagnosed with an invisible
34 disability or an individual who is the primary caretaker of an
35 individual who has been diagnosed with an invisible disability
36 shall be issued a license plate of the individual's choosing
37 and a "Invisible Disability" license plate decal upon:

38 (1) Application to the judge of probate, license
39 commissioner, or other issuing official;

40 (2) Compliance with motor vehicle registration and
41 licensing laws;

42 (3) Payment of regular fees required by law for license
43 plates for private passenger or pleasure motor vehicles.

44 (4) Payment of any additional fees required by law for
45 distinctive license plates, should the individual seek to be
46 issued a distinctive license plate; and

47 (5) Presentation of a diagnosis from a physician
48 licensed to practice medicine in this state as proof of
49 eligibility.

50 (c) The validity of the "Invisible Disability" license
51 plate decals shall coincide with the reissuance of the
52 registrant's license plate as provided in Section 32-6-62,
53 Code of Alabama 1975.

54 (d) Payment of required license fees and taxes for the
55 years during which a new plate is not issued shall be
56 evidenced as provided in Section 32-6-63, Code of Alabama



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58 (e) Kulturecity, Incorporated shall be responsible for
59 the design of the license plate decal subject to approval by
60 the Commissioner of Revenue and compliance with all laws and
61 rules.

62 (f) The "Invisible Disability" decal provided by this
63 section shall not qualify the individual to be parked in
64 special access parking as provided in Sections 40-12-300 and
65 32-6-231, Code of Alabama 1975, unless the individual has been
66 issued a disability distinctive special access plate or
67 placard as provided for in those sections.

68 (g) The Department of Revenue may adopt rules to
69 implement this section.

70 Section 2. This act shall become effective on January
71 1, 2027.