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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to medical marijuana identification cards for service-disabled veterans; amending s.

381.986, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of Health from charging a fee for the issuance, replacement, or renewal of an identification card for the medical use of marijuana for a service-disabled veteran or his or her caregiver if a specified form is included with the identification card application; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (7) of section 381.986, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

381.986 Medical use of marijuana.-

(7) IDENTIFICATION CARDS.—

(d) Applications for identification cards must be submitted on a form prescribed by the department. The department may charge a reasonable fee associated with the issuance, replacement, and renewal of identification cards. The department shall allocate \$10 of the identification card fee to the Division of Research at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University for the purpose of educating minorities about marijuana for medical use and the impact of the unlawful use of

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marijuana on minority communities. The department may not charge a fee for the issuance, replacement, or renewal of an identification card for a service-disabled veteran, as defined in s. 295.187(3), or his or her caregiver if the veteran's DD-214 form is included with the application for an identification card or his or her caregiver's identification card. The department shall contract with a third-party vendor to issue identification cards. The vendor selected by the department must have experience performing similar functions for other state agencies.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.