## HOUSE BILL 231

## 51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2013

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; PROVIDING A MOTOR VEHICLE
REGISTRATION FEE EXEMPTION FOR LOW-INCOME DISABLED PERSONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of Chapter 66, Article 6 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] EXEMPTION FOR LOW-INCOME DISABLED PERSONS.--

A. A disabled person who is a bona fide resident of New Mexico and has an annual adjusted gross income, as defined in Section 62 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) or less shall be exempt from payment of any motor vehicle registration fees to the state on one vehicle owned by the person. The person claiming the exception to motor vehicle registration fees pursuant to this section

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shall sign an affidavit attesting to the person's eligibility and shall provide an income tax return or other proof required by the secretary to verify the amount of the annual adjusted gross income of the person.

- As used in this section, "disabled person" means В. a person who has:
- (1) lost the permanent and total use of both hands, both arms, both feet, both legs, both eyes or any combination of two thereof; or
- sustained a brain injury that causes, exclusive of the contribution to the impairment rating arising from any other impairment to any other body part, a permanent impairment of thirty percent or more as determined by the current American medical association guide to the evaluation of permanent impairment."

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. -- The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 2013.

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