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This bill adds an optional Purple Heart designation on driver's licenses and Minnesota identification cards, and provides free daily state park permits to Purple Heart license or ID card holders. Requirements to receive the designation match existing requirements in place to obtain a special license plate for combat wounded military personnel (which also makes the designation available to active duty members of the military who have received a Purple Heart). The bill includes a delayed effective date to accommodate a new information technology system that the Department of Public Safety is currently developing.