

Subject Veteran designation on licenses and identification cards

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Summary

This bill modifies eligibility and documentation requirements for a “veteran” designation on drivers’ licenses and Minnesota identification cards. It:

- allows a member of the National Guard or armed forces reserves to obtain the designation if the person (i) is retired and has met the reserve retirement requirements (which includes at least 20 qualifying years of service), or (ii) presents a veteran identification card or veteran health identification card;
- requires an applicant to be separated with an honorable discharge or general discharge under honorable conditions; and
- makes technical changes to remove obsolete language.

Under current law, a former service member must have served at least 181 consecutive days on active duty orders in order to be able to add the veteran designation on state-issued licenses and identification cards.

It is effective August 1, 2022.