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SB 136

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Chairman Petersen, Vice-Chair Wolf, Ranking Minority Pettey and committee members:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on SB 136. This bill would place a designation of "VETERAN" on a driver's license or non-driver identification after presentation of the DD Form 214 to the Division of Motor Vehicles. I was asked to introduce this piece of legislation by a veteran.

I mirrored the bill that was introduced in the House. After further consideration, there are a few amendments that need to be made.

The first amendment is to change the effective date to July 1, 2014 from July 1, 2013. As this committee has heard previously, legislation passed effective July 1, 2012 has not been implemented. The delayed time frame will allow for implementation.

The second amendment would delete the requirement for the word VETERAN to be in the hologram security features. This change will cause a dramatic decrease in the fiscal note.

The third amendment would add "general discharge under honorable conditions" to be allowed for the designation.

Thank you to Adam Siebers for already composing these amendments separately. I would respectfully ask the committee to add the amendments above and pass the bill out favorably.

I would be happy to stand for questions at the appropriate time.