

The Senate Public Safety Committee offered the following substitute to SB 419:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to issuance, expiration, and renewal of drivers' licenses, so as to provide for the
3 notation on drivers' licenses of a diagnosis of post traumatic stress disorder; to provide for
4 certification; to provide for procedures; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting
5 laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

7 Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
8 issuance, expiration, and renewal of drivers' licenses, is amended by adding a new Code
9 section to read as follows:
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11 "40-5-38.

12 (a) Members of the armed services and veterans who have been diagnosed with post
13 traumatic stress disorder may request to have a notation of such diagnosis placed on his or
14 her driver's license. Such applicant shall present the department with a sworn statement
15 from a person licensed to practice medicine or psychology in this state verifying such
16 diagnosis.

17 (b) The commissioner shall by rules and regulations establish procedures necessary to
18 carry out the provisions of this Code section including, without limitation, application
19 forms and an appropriate symbol to be placed on the drivers' licenses."

SECTION 2.

20 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2010.
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SECTION 3.

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.
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