

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5795

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
Health & Long-Term Care, February 19, 2001

Title: An act relating to determination of disability for special parking privileges by advanced registered nurse practitioners.

Brief Description: Providing for determination of disability for special parking privileges by advanced registered nurse practitioners.

Sponsors: Senators Thibaudeau, Deccio, Fairley, Costa and Prentice.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Health & Long-Term Care: 2/19/01 [DPS].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & LONG-TERM CARE

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5795 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Thibaudeau, Chair; Franklin, Vice Chair; Costa, Deccio, Fraser, Parlette and Winsley.

Staff: Rhoda Donkin (786-7198)

Background: Under current law special parking privileges are granted to any person who has a disability that limits or impairs his or her ability to walk and who meet other criteria listed in statute and identified by a licensed physician. The Department of Licensing allows special parking permits to be issued by chiropractors, naturopaths, medical doctors, osteopathic, or podiatric physicians.

Summary of Substitute Bill: Licensed physicians and advanced registered nurse practitioners are allowed to issue special parking permits.

Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill: References in statute were stricken that would have limited the interpretation of a licensed physician.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: Advanced registered nurse practitioners have many disabled clients and should be able to seek special parking passes.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Jerri Henry, ARNPs United of Washington State (pro).