

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SSB 6429

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Providing a designation on a driver's license or identicard that a person has a developmental disability.

**Sponsors:** Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Brown, Walsh, Schoesler, Rivers, Van De Wege and Becker).

**Senate Committee on Transportation**  
**House Committee on Transportation**

**Background:** The Washington State Department of Licensing (DOL) issues driver's licenses and identicards that are valid for up to six years. The fee for a six-year driver's license or identicard is \$54.

**Summary:** DOL must include an applicable medical alert designation on a driver's license or identicard indicating the applicant provided information to DOL identifying an eligible medical condition. Any person may apply to obtain a medical alert designation, a developmentally disabled designation, or a deafness designation on a driver's license or identicard based on specific self-attestation and verification requirements. For persons under 18 years of age applying for the developmentally disabled designation, a signature of a parent or legal guardian is required.

For driver's licenses, the self-attestation is subject to the privacy protections of the federal Driver's Privacy Protection Act. The self-attestation, for both driver's licenses and identicards, is not disclosable and is for the confidential use by DOL, the Washington State Patrol, law enforcement, and emergency medical service providers.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

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| Senate | 47 | 0 |                    |
| House  | 97 | 0 | (House amended)    |
| Senate | 48 | 0 | (Senate concurred) |

**Effective:** January 1, 2022

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