

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2018 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Transportation

CS/HB 135 — Motor Vehicle Registration Applications

by Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee; and Rep. Ausley and others (CS/SB 290 by Appropriations Committee; and Senators Rouson and Rader)

The bill requires the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to include language on the motor vehicle registration application form that allows a deaf or hard of hearing applicant to indicate voluntarily that he or she is deaf or hard of hearing. This notation will be included through the Driver and Vehicle Information Database and available through the Florida Crime Information Center system. The bill enables a law enforcement officer to access this information upon searching a license plate prior to approaching the motor vehicle during a traffic stop.

The bill also updates the name of an organization to receive a voluntary \$1 contribution per applicant on the motor vehicle registration application form, from Prevent Blindness Florida to Preserve Vision Florida, to correctly reference the organization's name change.

Finally, the bill makes a cross-reference change to conform to changes made by the bill.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect October 1, 2018.

Vote: Senate 36-0; House 113-0