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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to medical marijuana identification
3	cards for service-disabled veterans; amending s.
4	381.986, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of Health
5	from charging a fee for the issuance, replacement, or
6	renewal of an identification card for the medical use
7	of marijuana for a service-disabled veteran or his or
8	her caregiver if a specified form is included with the
9	identification card application; providing an
10	effective date.
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12	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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14	Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (7) of section
15	381.986, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
16	381.986 Medical use of marijuana.—
17	(7) IDENTIFICATION CARDS
18	(d) Applications for identification cards must be
19	submitted on a form prescribed by the department. The department
20	may charge a reasonable fee associated with the issuance,
21	replacement, and renewal of identification cards. The department
22	shall allocate \$10 of the identification card fee to the
23	Division of Research at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical
24	University for the purpose of educating minorities about
25	marijuana for medical use and the impact of the unlawful use of
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26	marijuana on minority communities. The department may not charge
27	a fee for the issuance, replacement, or renewal of an
28	identification card for a service-disabled veteran, as defined
29	in s. 295.187(3), or his or her caregiver if the veteran's DD-
30	214 form is included with the application for an identification
31	card or his or her caregiver's identification card. The
32	department shall contract with a third-party vendor to issue
33	identification cards. The vendor selected by the department must
34	have experience performing similar functions for other state
35	agencies.
36	Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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