

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 2417

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, FEBRUARY 27, 1992

**Brief Description:** Allowing the department of licensing to issue special disabled parking permits and license plates to boarding homes.

**SPONSORS:** Representatives R. Fisher, Prentice, Bowman and Carlson

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

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**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Patterson, Chairman; Nelson, Vice Chairman; von Reichbauer, Vice Chairman; Erwin, W. Hansen, Madsen, Oke, Sellar, Skratek, Snyder, Thorsness, and Vognild.

**Staff:** Mary McLaughlin (786-7309)

**Hearing Dates:** February 27, 1992

**BACKGROUND:**

Special parking privileges are extended not only to the mobility impaired, but also to organizations such as licensed nursing homes, senior centers, public transportation agencies and private nonprofit agencies that regularly transport disabled persons. A qualifying organization receives a special parking permit from the Department of Licensing (DOL) for each vehicle it operates. Organizations operating vehicles under the special disabled parking permit are responsible for any penalties imposed for improper use of the permit.

A licensed boarding home provides board and home care to three or more persons (1) over 65 years old, or (2) under 65 years old whose infirmity requires home care.

**SUMMARY:**

Licensed boarding homes are added to the list of organizations that qualify for the special disabled parking privilege administered by the Department of Licensing.

**Appropriation:** none

**Revenue:** none

**Fiscal Note:** none requested

**TESTIMONY FOR:**

The special parking privilege is currently extended to similar organizations such as nursing homes and senior citizen centers providing transportation for the mobility impaired.

**TESTIMONY AGAINST:** None

**TESTIFIED:** Scott Sigman, WA Health Care Assn. (pro); Susan Scherr, Olympics West Retirement Home (pro)