

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
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Resolution No. 43: Veteran Coding on Driver's Licenses
Origin: Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation Commission
Submitted by: Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation Commission

WHEREAS, The American Legion is a national organization of veterans who have dedicated themselves to the service of the community, state and nation; and

WHEREAS, There are over a dozen states which have passed legislation to provide a "Veterans Drivers License" and some of these states are Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Indiana and Texas; and

WHEREAS, In these states a veteran no longer has to carry a copy of their discharge papers to prove their service; and

WHEREAS, This makes it simple for a veteran to get a discount at a hotel or retailer such as Home Depot or Jiffy Lube; and

WHEREAS, Some businesses no longer will accept the DD-214 as proof, because it does not contain a photograph; and

WHEREAS, By adding the veteran coding, you prevent the veteran from exposure to identity theft, because the DD-214 contains the veteran's social security number; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 17-18, 2012, That The American Legion shall sponsor and support legislation to add veterans status to all state identification cards and driver's licenses.