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**HOUSE BILL 21-1035**

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**(None),**

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**House Committees**

Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services

**Senate Committees**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A PREGNANCY-BASED PARKING**  
102 **PLACARD.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

The bill creates a pregnancy-based parking placard. The placard is available to a person during the last trimester of the person's pregnancy through the first 2 months after the person gives birth. The placard authorizes the person to park in reserved disability parking spaces.

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Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1. Short title.** The short title of this act is the  
3 "Expecting Mothers' Relief Act".

4 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-3-204, **amend**  
5 (1)(a), (1)(f), and (5)(h)(I)(A); and **add** (3)(a)(I.5) and (6)(a.5) as follows:

6 **42-3-204. Reserved parking - persons with disabilities -**  
7 **pregnancy - definitions - rules. (1) Definitions.** As used in this section:

8 (a) "Disability" or "disabled" means a physical impairment that  
9 meets the standards of 23 CFR 1235. "DISABILITY" INCLUDES THE LAST  
10 TRIMESTER OF A PERSON'S PREGNANCY THROUGH THE FIRST TWO MONTHS  
11 AFTER THE PERSON GIVES BIRTH.

12 (f) "Identifying placard" means a placard bearing an identifying  
13 figure issued under this section or a similar provision in another state and  
14 refers to a ninety-day, PREGNANCY-BASED, three-year, or permanent  
15 placard.

16 (3) **Types of plates or placards. (a) Authorization.** The  
17 department may issue the following registration type for issuing disabled  
18 plates and placards that notify the public that the vehicle transports a  
19 person who may use reserved parking:

20 (I.5) A PREGNANCY-BASED IDENTIFYING PLACARD.

21 (5) **Issuance of plate or placard - rules. (h) Requirements for**  
22 **issuance of identifying placards or plates. (I)** To qualify for an  
23 identifying placard or plate, an individual must submit:

24 (A) A written statement, made by a professional on a form  
25 published by the department, that the person EITHER has a physical  
26 impairment meeting the standards of 23 CFR 1235 OR THAT THE PERSON  
27 IS IN THE LAST TRIMESTER OF PREGNANCY OR THE FIRST TWO MONTHS

1 AFTER GIVING BIRTH, and that the impairment is expected to be temporary,  
2 last thirty months, or be permanent, as the case may be;

3 **(6) Expiration and renewal. (a.5) Pregnancy-based identifying**  
4 **placards.** A PREGNANCY-BASED IDENTIFYING PLACARD EXPIRES ON THE  
5 LAST DAY OF THE MONTH IN WHICH THE SIXTIETH DAY AFTER GIVING BIRTH  
6 OCCURS. THE HOLDER MAY APPLY FOR A PLACARD BY MEETING THE  
7 REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (5)(h)(I) OF THIS SECTION. THE  
8 DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT RENEW A PLACARD ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS  
9 SUBSECTION (6)(a.5).

10 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
11 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
12 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
13 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
14 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
15 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
16 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
17 November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
18 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.