

RON DESANTIS GOVERNOR

September 18, 2020

Secretary Laurel Lee Secretary of State R.A. Gray Building 500 South Bronough Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Dear Secretary Lee:



By the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby veto and transmit my objection to Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for House Bill 789, enacted during the 122nd Session of the Legislature of Florida, during the Regular Session of 2020 and entitled:

An act relating to Driver License Fees.

The Legislature passed Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for House Bill 787 – Driver Licenses and Identification Cards, which allows for a person with a developmental disability to have a "D" designation on their driver license, with sufficient proof of the diagnosis provided by a licensed physician. I believe making this option available to our fellow Floridians with developmental disabilities is good public policy. However, imposing an additional fee could unnecessarily discourage a number of eligible Floridians from choosing this service designed to increase awareness and promote greater inclusion and participation in the community.

For the reasons stated above, I withhold my approval of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for House Bill 789 and do hereby veto the same.

