

(1) THE SIGNATURE ON A PRESCRIPTION OF A PRACTITIONER WHO IS LICENSED BY LAW TO ADMINISTER PRESCRIBE A PRESCRIPTION DRUG OR CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE HAS BEEN FORGED;

(2) THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED ON THE PRESCRIPTION WAS NOT A PATIENT OF THE PRACTITIONER; OR

(3) THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED ON THE PRESCRIPTION DID NOT HAVE A PRESCRIPTION FROM THE PRACTITIONER FOR THE NAMED PRESCRIPTION DRUG OR CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE OR DID NOT HAVE A PRESCRIPTION FOR THAT QUANTITY OF THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG OR CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE.

(C) (1) IN A PROCEEDING IN WHICH THE STATE INTENDS TO INTRODUCE INTO EVIDENCE AN AFFIDAVIT AS PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE SHALL PROVIDE AT LEAST 10 DAYS' WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT THAT THE STATE INTENDS TO:

(I) RELY ON THE AFFIDAVIT; AND

(II) INTRODUCE THE AFFIDAVIT INTO EVIDENCE AT THE PROCEEDING.

(2) ON WRITTEN DEMAND OF A DEFENDANT FILED AT LEAST 5 DAYS PRIOR TO THE PROCEEDING DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE SHALL REQUIRE THE PRESENCE OF THE AFFIANT AS A PROSECUTION WITNESS.

~~(h) Any person who violates any of the provisions of this section, or refuses, neglects or fails to comply with the provisions and requirements thereof, or who obtains or possesses a prescription drug in violation of this section, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) and/or imprisoned for not more than two (2) years, or both.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997.

Approved May 8, 1997.

CHAPTER 392

(House Bill 79)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Annual Registration Fee - Special Registration Plates for Disabled Veterans

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a ~~certain~~ qualifying disabled veteran may receive a special vehicle registration ~~number~~ numbers and special registration plates without paying the annual vehicle registration fee; making a stylistic change; clarifying