

February 7, 2017

From: Darrell E. Lamme  
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To: Committee on Veterans and Military

Subject: HB 2174

Committee Members;

Apologizing for not being able to appear in person for this hearing, I ask that you accept this document as full endorsement of HB 2174.

I fully endorse the revision of K.S.A. 8-160 to include “or (2) submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles pursuant to K.S.A. 8-1,125(a), and amendments thereto, that such person's disability, condition or impairment is permanent in nature.”

Although being awarded a permanent service connected disability of 20% from the VA and 100% Social Security Disability, I do not currently meet the 50% requirement. My disabilities do not allow full use of one wrist and one arm. This limits my ability to perform simple everyday tasks. My surgeon is concerned that if I fall while walking, I will do irreparable damage and will need replacement surgery. I live in constant pain and will for the rest of my life.

I fully understand that there are many veterans with substantial injuries to their legs, hands and vision. I ask that this committee consider that there are many more veterans that are suffering every day with permanent disabilities that hinder their ability to perform many tasks in their lives which are less than the 50% currently mandated.

Serving our country for 27 years, I absolutely support any permanently disabled veteran, regardless of percentage, being eligible to obtain the DV license plate.



I believe it is time that the United States of America and the State of Kansas do more to support our veterans.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me.

Proudly served;

Darrell E. Lamme  
Chief Master Sergeant  
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**SIGNATURE WITNESS**

State of Kansas  
Doniphan County ss.

On this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February 2017, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared **Darrell E. Lamme**, proved to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, which was a United States Air Force Retired Identification Card, to be the person who signed the preceding or attached document in my presence.

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Signature of Notary Public

