

# Legislative Analysis

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## POWER-DRIVEN MOBILITY DEVICES

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**House Bill 5834 (H-3) as reported from committee**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Beau LaFave**  
**Committee: Transportation and Infrastructure**  
**Complete to 5-16-18**

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### SUMMARY:

House Bill 5834 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to create an exemption from the requirement to obtain a driver's license under the Code for a disabled person while operating a power-driven mobility device, except when he or she is operating such a device on a street, road, or highway in the state.

Section 302 of the Michigan Vehicle Code exempts certain vehicle operators from the requirement to obtain a license under the Code, including, among others, members of the Armed Forces on leave or stationed in this state, nonresidents whose home states do not require licensure, and certain persons operating a farm tractor or implement of husbandry temporarily on a highway.

The bill would amend Section 302 to also exempt a disabled person while operating a power-driven mobility device. However, the exemption would not apply to a disabled person while operating a power-driven mobility device on a street, road, or highway.

The bill would take effect 90 days after being enacted.

MCL 257.302

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the state or on local units of government.

### POSITION:

The Office of the Secretary of State is neutral on the bill. (5-16-18)

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