

1 SB41
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3 By Senator Ward
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, tinted windows on a
9 motor vehicle must meet certain specifications
10 unless the owner or passenger of the motor vehicle
11 has obtained an exemption from the Department of
12 Public Safety.

13 This bill would provide that an exemption on
14 behalf of a patient diagnosed with a
15 light-sensitive porphyria would apply to all areas
16 of the windshield and windows prescribed by the
17 physician.

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19 A BILL
20 TO BE ENTITLED
21 AN ACT
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23 To amend Section 32-5C-4, Code of Alabama 1975,
24 relating to medical exemptions from the window tinting law; to
25 provide that the exemption applies to the top six inches of a
26 motor vehicle windshield unless otherwise prescribed by the
27 department or by a physician requesting the medical exemption

1 on behalf of a patient diagnosed with a light-sensitive
2 porphyria.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

4 Section 1. Section 32-5C-4, Code of Alabama 1975, is
5 amended to read as follows:

6 "§32-5C-4.

7 "(a) The department ~~may~~, upon application from a
8 person required for medical reasons to be shielded from the
9 direct rays of the sun, may issue an exemption from this
10 chapter for any motor vehicle owned by the person or in which
11 the person is a habitual passenger. The application shall be
12 supported by written statement of that fact from a physician
13 licensed to practice medicine in this state. ~~The~~ Except as
14 otherwise provided in subsection (b), the exemption may be
15 issued with the conditions and limitations prescribed by the
16 department.

17 "(b) An exemption granted pursuant to subsection (a)
18 to persons with light-sensitive prophyria shall apply to all
19 areas of the windshield and windows prescribed by the
20 physician in the written statement submitted as part of the
21 application."

22 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
23 first day of the third month following its passage and
24 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.