



# *City of New Bedford*

IN COMMITTEE

May 24, 2018

The Honorable City Council  
133 William Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Committee on Veterans Affairs, Elderly, Youth, Health & Housing & Disability Issues at a Meeting held on Monday, May 14, 2018, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Fortes, requesting that the Traffic Commission explain to the City Council Committee on Veterans Affairs, Elderly, Health, Housing and Disability Issues why, once a request from a physician and by the Department of Motor Vehicles, an elderly disabled resident can be denied this request if they do not have the need or "an apparatus" or some other such reason, since the Traffic Commission is not medically qualified to make this sort of determination; further, that prior to these matters being referred to the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination and Disability that these issues be discussed in the Committee on Veterans Affairs, Elderly, Health, Housing and Disability Issues. (Ref'd 12/15/05, tabled 03/28/06)

On motion by Councillor Dunn and seconded by Councillor Lima, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council to take "No Further Action" on a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Fortes, requesting that the Traffic Commission explain to the City Council Committee on Veterans Affairs, Elderly, Health, Housing and Disability Issues why, once a request from a physician and by the Department of Motor Vehicles, an elderly disabled resident can be denied this request if they do not have the need or "an apparatus" or some other such reason, since the Traffic Commission is not medically qualified to make this sort of determination; further, that prior to these matters being referred to the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination and Disability that these issues be discussed in the Committee on Veterans Affairs, Elderly, Health, Housing and Disability Issues. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS,  
ELDERLY, YOUTH, HEALTH & HOUSING  
& DISABILITY ISSUES

*Maria E. Giesta*

Councillor Maria E. Giesta, Chairperson

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