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Abstract: Extends the duration of a medical exemption applicable to window tinting for persons with a diagnosed light-sensitive porphyria.

<u>Present law</u> establishes exemptions from window and windshield obscurement requirements that apply to a motor vehicle registered in the state where the registered owner, spouse, or family member operating or authorized to operate the motor vehicle has an affidavit signed by an optometrist or physician, including but not limited to an ophthalmologist or dermatologist licensed to practice in this state, specifying that the person has a physical or medical condition involving the effects of the sun that makes it necessary to equip the motor vehicle with sun screening material which would be of a light transmission or luminous reflectance in violation of <u>present law</u> (R.S. 32:361.1). Requires the affidavit be kept in the motor vehicle at all times.

<u>Present law</u> requires the condition be verifiable in the World Health Organization International Classification of Disease ICD-9-CM as a recognized condition that would warrant an exemption pursuant to <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> requires the exemption granted under the provisions of <u>present law</u> be subject to review every three years unless deemed otherwise by the department.

<u>Proposed law</u> modifies <u>present law</u> and requires an exemption granted to a person with a diagnosed light-sensitive porphyria be valid for the duration of the ownership of a vehicle.

(Amends R.S. 32:361.2(A)(3)(c))