

SENATE BILL No. 446

AN ACT concerning driver's licenses and nondriver's identification cards; allowing restricted driver's license holders beginning at age 15 to drive to and from religious activities held by any religious organization; providing for the electronic renewal of nondriver's identification cards; amending K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-2,101 and 8-1324 and repealing the existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-2,101 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-2,101. (a) (1) The division of vehicles may issue a restricted class C or M driver's license in accordance with the provisions of this section. A restricted class C license issued under this section shall entitle the licensee, while possessing the license, to operate any motor vehicle in class C, as designated in K.S.A. 8-234b, and amendments thereto. A restricted class M license shall entitle the licensee, while possessing such license, to operate a motorcycle.

~~(a)~~(2) The division may issue a restricted class C or M driver's license to any person who:

~~(1)~~(A) Is at least 15 years of age;

~~(2)~~(B) has successfully completed an approved course in driver training;

~~(3)~~(C) has held an instructional permit issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-2,100, and amendments thereto, for a period of at least one year and has completed at least 25 hours of adult supervised driving or has obtained an instructional permit from another state or the District of Columbia ~~which~~ that has equivalent or greater requirements; and

~~(4)~~(D) upon the written application of the person's parent or guardian, which shall be submitted to the division.

(3) Any licensee issued a restricted license under this subsection, shall provide, prior to reaching 16 years of age, a signed affidavit of either a parent or guardian, stating that the applicant has completed the required 25 hours prior to being issued a restricted license and 25 hours of additional adult supervised driving. Of the 50 hours required by this subsection, at least 10 of those hours shall be at night. The adult supervised driving shall be conducted by an adult who is at least 21 years of age and is the holder of a valid commercial driver's license, class A, B or C driver's license.

(b) (1) A restricted license issued under subsection (a) shall entitle a licensee who is at least 15 years of age but less than 16 years of age, to operate the appropriate motor vehicles at any time:

(A) While going to or from or in connection with any job, employment or farm-related work;

(B) on days while school is in session, over the most direct and accessible route between the licensee's residence and school of enrollment for the purposes of school attendance;

(C) *from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. while going directly to or from any religious activity held by a religious organization;*

~~(D)~~(D) when the licensee is operating a passenger car, at any time when accompanied by an adult, who is the holder of a valid commercial driver's license, class A, B or C driver's license and who is actually occupying a seat beside the driver; or

~~(E)~~(E) when the licensee is operating a motorcycle, at any time when accompanied by an adult, who is the holder of a valid class M driver's license and who is either operating a motorcycle in the general proximity of the licensee or is riding as a passenger on the motorcycle being operated by the licensee.

(2) (A) For a period of six months, a restricted license issued under subsection (a) shall entitle a licensee who is at least 16 years of age to operate the appropriate motor vehicles at any time:

- (A)(i) From 5 a.m. to 9 p.m.;
- (B)(ii) while going to or from or in connection with any job, employment or farm-related work;
- (C)(iii) while going to or from authorized school activities;
- (D)(iv) while going directly to or from any religious—~~worship~~ service activity held by a religious organization;
- (E)(v) when the licensee is operating a passenger car, at any time when accompanied by an adult, who is the holder of a valid commercial driver's license, class A, B or C driver's license and who is actually occupying a seat beside the driver; or
- (F)(vi) when the licensee is operating a motorcycle, at any time when accompanied by an adult, who is the holder of a valid class M driver's license and who is either operating a motorcycle in the general proximity of the licensee or is riding as a passenger on the motorcycle being operated by the licensee.

(B) After such six-month period, if the licensee has complied with the provisions of this section, such restricted license shall entitle the licensee to operate the appropriate motor vehicles at any time without any of the restrictions required by this section.

(c) (1) The division may issue a restricted class C or M driver's license to any person who is under 17 years of age but at least 16 years of age, who:

(A) Has held an instructional permit issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-2,100, and amendments thereto, for a period of at least one year; and

(B) has submitted a signed affidavit of either a parent or guardian, stating that the applicant has completed at least 50 hours of adult supervised driving with at least 10 of those hours being at night. The required adult supervised driving shall be conducted by an adult who is at least 21 years of age and is the holder of a valid commercial driver's license, class A, B or C driver's license.

(2) (A) For a period of six months, a restricted license issued under subsection (c)(1) shall entitle a licensee to operate the appropriate motor vehicles at any time:

- (A)(i) From 5 a.m. to 9 p.m.;
- (B)(ii) while going to or from or in connection with any job, employment or farm-related work;
- (C)(iii) while going to or from authorized school activities;
- (D)(iv) while going directly to or from any religious—~~worship~~ service activity held by a religious organization;
- (E)(v) when the licensee is operating a passenger car, at any time when accompanied by an adult, who is the holder of a valid commercial driver's license, class A, B or C driver's license and who is actually occupying a seat beside the driver; or
- (F)(vi) when the licensee is operating a motorcycle, at any time when accompanied by an adult, who is the holder of a valid class M driver's license and who is either operating a motorcycle in the general proximity of the licensee or is riding as a passenger on the motorcycle being operated by the licensee.

(B) After such six-month period, if the licensee has complied with the provisions of this section, such restricted license shall entitle the licensee to operate the appropriate motor vehicles at any time without any of the restrictions required by this section.

(d) (1) Any licensee issued a restricted license under subsection (a) who is:

(A) ~~Who is~~ Less than 16 years of age shall not operate any motor vehicle with nonsibling minor passengers; or

(B) ~~who is~~ at least 16 years of age, for a period of six months after reaching 16 years of age, shall not operate any motor vehicle with more

than one passenger who is less than 18 years of age and who is not a member of the licensee's immediate family.

(2) Any licensee issued a restricted license under subsection (c), for a period of six months after such restricted license is issued, shall not operate any motor vehicle with more than one passenger who is less than 18 years of age and who is not a member of the licensee's immediate family.

(3) Any conviction for violating this subsection shall be construed as a moving traffic violation for the purpose of K.S.A. 8-255, and amendments thereto.

(e) Any licensee issued a restricted license under this section shall not operate a wireless communication device while driving a motor vehicle, except that a licensee may operate a wireless communication device while driving a motor vehicle to report illegal activity or to summons medical or other emergency help.

(f) (1) A restricted driver's license issued under this section is subject to suspension or revocation in the same manner as any other driver's license.

(2) A restricted driver's license shall be suspended in accordance with K.S.A. 8-291, and amendments thereto, for any violation of restrictions under this section.

(3) The division shall suspend the restricted driver's license upon receiving satisfactory evidence that the licensee has been involved in two or more accidents chargeable to the licensee and such suspended license shall not be reinstated for one year.

(g) Evidence of failure of any licensee who was required to complete the 50 hours of adult supervised driving under this section shall not be admissible in any action for the purpose of determining any aspect of comparative negligence or mitigation of damages.

(h) Any licensee issued a restricted license under:

(1) Subsection (a) who:

(A) Is under the age of 16 years and is convicted of two or more moving traffic violations committed on separate occasions shall not be eligible to receive a driver's license ~~which~~ *that* is not restricted in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b)(1) until the person reaches 17 years of age;

(B) is under 17 years of age but at least 16 years of age and is convicted of two or more moving traffic violations committed on separate occasions shall not be eligible to receive a driver's license ~~which~~ *that* is not restricted in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b)(2) until the person reaches 18 years of age; or

(C) fails to provide the affidavit required under subsection (a) shall not be eligible to receive a driver's license which is not restricted in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b)(1) until the person provides such affidavit to the division or the person reaches 17 years of age, whichever occurs first.

(2) Subsection (c) who is under the age of 17 years and is convicted of two or more moving traffic violations committed on separate occasions shall not be eligible to receive a driver's license which is not restricted in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) until the person reaches 18 years of age.

(i) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the motor vehicle driver's license act.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-1324 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1324. (a) Any resident who does not hold a current valid Kansas driver's license may make application to the division of vehicles and be issued one identification card.

(b) (1) Each application for an identification card shall include a question asking if the applicant is willing to give such applicant's

authorization to be listed as an organ, eye and tissue donor in the Kansas donor registry in accordance with the revised uniform anatomical gift act, K.S.A. 65-3220 through 65-3244, and amendments thereto. The gift would become effective upon the death of the donor.

(2) For the purpose of obtaining an identification card, an applicant shall submit, with the application, proof of age, proof of identity and proof of lawful presence. An applicant shall submit with the application a photo identity document, except that a non-photo identity document is acceptable if it includes both the applicant's full legal name and date of birth, and documentation showing the applicant's name, the applicant's address of principal residence and the applicant's social security account number. The applicant's social security number shall remain confidential and shall not be disclosed, except as provided pursuant to K.S.A. 74-2014, and amendments thereto. If the applicant does not have a social security number, the applicant shall provide proof of lawful presence and Kansas residency. The division shall assign a distinguishing number to the identification card. Before issuing an identification card to a person, the division shall make reasonable efforts to verify with the issuing agency the issuance, validity and completeness of each document required to be presented by the applicant to prove age, identity and lawful presence.

(c) The division shall not issue an identification card to any person who fails to provide proof that the person is lawfully present in the United States. If an applicant provides evidence of lawful presence as set out in K.S.A. 8-240(b)(2)(E) through (2)(I), and amendments thereto, or is an alien lawfully admitted for temporary residence under K.S.A. 8-240(b)(2)(B), and amendments thereto, the division may only issue a temporary identification card to the person under the following conditions: (A) A temporary identification card issued pursuant to this subparagraph shall be valid only during the period of time of the applicant's authorized stay in the United States or, if there is no definite end to the period of authorized stay, a period of one year; (B) a temporary identification card issued pursuant to this subparagraph shall clearly indicate that it is temporary and shall state the date upon which it expires; (C) no temporary identification card issued pursuant to this subparagraph shall be for a longer period of time than the time period permitted by K.S.A. 8-1325, and amendments thereto; and (D) a temporary identification card issued pursuant to this subparagraph may be renewed, subject at the time of renewal, to the same requirements and conditions set forth in this subsection—(e) for the issuance of the original temporary identification card.

(d) The division shall not issue an identification card to any person who holds a current valid Kansas driver's license unless such driver's license has been physically surrendered pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1002(e), and amendments thereto.

(e) The division shall refuse to issue an identification card to a person holding a driver's license or identification card issued by another state without confirmation that the person is terminating or has terminated the license or identification card.

(f) The parent or guardian of an applicant under 16 years of age shall sign the application for an identification card submitted by such applicant.

(g) (1) The division shall require payment of a fee of \$14 at the time application for an identification card is made, except that persons who are 65 or more years of age or who are handicapped, as defined in K.S.A. 8-1,124, and amendments thereto, shall be required to pay a fee of only \$10. In addition to the fees prescribed by this subsection, the division shall require payment of the photo fee established pursuant to K.S.A. 8-243, and amendments thereto, for the cost of the photograph

to be placed on the identification card.

(2) The division shall not require or accept payment of application or photo fees under this subsection for any person 17 years of age or older for purposes of meeting the voter identification requirements of K.S.A. 25-2908, and amendments thereto. Such person shall:

(A) Swear under oath that such person desires an identification card in order to vote in an election in Kansas and that such person does not possess any of the forms of identification acceptable under K.S.A. 25-2908, and amendments thereto. The affidavit shall specifically list the acceptable forms of identification under K.S.A. 25-2908, and amendments thereto; and

(B) produce evidence that such person is registered to vote in Kansas.

(3) The secretary of revenue shall adopt rules and regulations in order to implement the provisions of paragraph (2).

(h) All Kansas identification cards shall have physical security features designed to prevent tampering, counterfeiting or duplication for fraudulent purposes.

(i) For the purposes of K.S.A. 8-1324 through 8-1328, and amendments thereto, a person shall be deemed to be a resident of the state if:

(1) The person owns, leases or rents a place of domicile in this state;

(2) the person engages in a trade, business or profession in this state;

(3) the person is registered to vote in this state;

(4) the person enrolls the person's child in a school in this state; or

(5) the person registers the person's motor vehicle in this state.

(j) The division shall require that any person applying for an identification card submit to a mandatory facial image capture. The captured facial image shall be displayed on the front of the applicant's identification card *by either:*

(1) *A digital color image or photograph; or*

(2) *a laser-engraved photograph of the licensee.*

(k) (1) Any person who is a veteran may request that the division issue to such person a nondriver identification card which shall include the designation "VETERAN" displayed on the front of the nondriver identification card at a location to be determined by the secretary of revenue. In order to receive a nondriver identification card described in this subsection, the veteran must provide proof of the veteran's military service and honorable discharge or general discharge under honorable conditions, including a copy of the veteran's DD214 form or equivalent.

(2) As used in this subsection, "veteran" means a person who:

(A) Has served in: The army, navy, marine corps, air force, coast guard, air or army national guard or any branch of the military reserves of the United States; and

(B) has been separated from the branch of service in which the person was honorably discharged or received a general discharge under honorable conditions.

(3) The director of vehicles may adopt any rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this subsection.

(l) The director of vehicles may issue a temporary identification card to an applicant who cannot provide valid documentary evidence as defined by subsection (c), if the applicant provides compelling evidence proving current lawful presence. Any temporary identification card issued pursuant to this subparagraph shall be valid for one year.

(m) Upon payment of the required fee, the division shall issue to every applicant qualifying under the provisions of this act an identification card. Such identification card shall bear a distinguishing

number assigned to the cardholder, the full legal name, date of birth, address of principal residence, a brief description of the cardholder, either: (1) A digital color image or photograph; or (2) a laser engraved photograph of the cardholder, and a facsimile of the signature of the cardholder. An identification card which does not contain the address of principal residence of the cardholder as required may be issued to persons who are program participants pursuant to K.S.A. 75-455, and amendments thereto.

(n) An identification card issued to any person who indicated on the application that the person wished to make an anatomical gift in accordance with the revised uniform anatomical gift act, K.S.A. 65-3220 through 65-3244, and amendments thereto, shall have the word "Donor" placed on the front of the applicant's identification card.

(o) (1) Any person who submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, on a form provided by the director, that such person needs assistance with cognition, including, but not limited to, persons with autism spectrum disorder, may request that the division issue to such person a nondriver identification card, that shall note such impairment on the nondriver identification card at a location to be determined by the secretary of revenue.

(2) Satisfactory proof that a person needs assistance with cognition shall include a statement from a person licensed to practice the healing arts in any state, an advanced practice registered nurse licensed under K.S.A. 65-1131, and amendments thereto, a licensed physician assistant or a person clinically licensed by the Kansas behavioral sciences regulatory board certifying that such person needs assistance with cognition.

(p) (1) The secretary of revenue shall permit an electronic online renewal of an identification card if the electronic online renewal applicant previously provided documentation of identity, lawful presence and residence to the division for electronic scanning. For purposes of this subsection, the division may rely on the division's most recent, existing color digital image and signature image of the applicant for the nondriver's identification card if the division has such images on file. The determination on whether an electronic online renewal application or equivalent of a nondriver's identification card is permitted shall be made by the director of vehicles or the director's designee. The division shall not renew a nondriver's identification card through an electronic online or equivalent process if the identification card has been previously renewed through an electronic online application in the immediately preceding card's expiration period. No renewal under this subsection shall be granted to any person who is a registered offender pursuant to K.S.A. 22-4901 et seq., and amendments thereto.

(2) Prior to February 1, 2023, the division shall report to the house of representatives and the senate committees on transportation regarding the online renewal process of this subsection and the effects of implementing such process.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-2,101 and 8-1324 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the SENATE, and passed that body

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President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

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