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P.L.2017, CHAPTER 91, *approved June 9, 2017*
Senate, No. 2564 (*Third Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning driver's licenses ¹and identification cards¹ and
2 amending R.S.39:3-10 ¹and P.L.1980, c.47¹.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. R.S.39:3-10 is amended to read as follows:

8 39:3-10. ¹**[No]** A¹ person shall ¹not¹ drive a motor vehicle on a
9 public highway in this State unless the person is under supervision
10 while participating in a behind-the-wheel driving course pursuant to
11 section 6 of P.L.1977, c.25 (C.39:3-13.2a) or is in possession of a
12 validated permit, or a probationary or basic driver's license issued to
13 that person in accordance with this article.

14 ¹**[No]** A¹ person under 18 years of age shall ¹not¹ be issued a
15 basic license to drive motor vehicles, ¹**[nor shall]** and¹ a person
16 ¹shall not¹ be issued a validated permit, including a validated
17 examination permit, until the applicant has passed a satisfactory
18 examination and other requirements as to the applicant's ability as
19 an operator. The examination shall include a test of the applicant's
20 vision, the applicant's ability to understand traffic control devices,
21 the applicant's knowledge of safe driving practices, including the
22 dangers of driving a vehicle in an aggressive manner, which shall
23 include, but not be limited to, unexpectedly altering the speed of a
24 vehicle, making improper or erratic traffic lane changes,
25 disregarding traffic control devices, failing to yield the right of way,
26 and following another vehicle too closely, and of the effects that
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28 motor vehicle, the applicant's knowledge of **[such]** portions of the
29 mechanism of motor vehicles as is necessary to insure the safe
30 operation of a vehicle of the kind or kinds indicated by the
31 applicant, and of the laws and ordinary usages of the road. ¹**[No]**
32 A¹ person shall ¹not¹ sit for an examination for any permit without
33 exhibiting photo identification deemed acceptable by the
34 commission, unless that person is a high school student
35 participating in a course of automobile driving education approved
36 by the State Department of Education and conducted in a public,
37 parochial, or private school of this State, pursuant to section 1 of
38 P.L.1950, c.127 (C.39:3-13.1). The commission may waive the

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Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Senate STR committee amendments adopted October 13, 2016.

²Senate SBA committee amendments adopted November 3, 2016.

³Assembly floor amendments adopted March 16, 2017.

1 written law knowledge examination for any person 18 years of age
2 or older possessing a valid driver's license issued by any other state,
3 the District of Columbia, or the United States Territories of
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28 skills. The commission shall approve locations for the road test
29 which pose no more than a minimal risk of injury to the applicant,
30 the examiner, and other motorists. **1**~~【No new】~~ **New**¹ locations for
31 the road test shall **1**~~not~~¹ be approved unless the test can be given on
32 public streets.

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34 motorcycle license or a motorcycle endorsement when operating a
35 motorcycle or motorized scooter with an engine displacement of
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48 displacement.

1 The commission shall issue a basic driver's license to operate a
2 motor vehicle other than a motorcycle to a person over 18 years of
3 age who previously has not been licensed to drive a motor vehicle
4 in this State or another jurisdiction only if that person has: (1)
5 operated a passenger automobile in compliance with the
6 requirements of this title for not less than one year, not including
7 any period of suspension or postponement, from the date of
8 issuance of a probationary license pursuant to section 4 of
9 P.L.1950, c.127 (C.39:3-13.4); (2) not been assessed more than two
10 motor vehicle points; (3) not been convicted in the previous year for
11 a violation of R.S.39:4-50, section 2 of P.L.1981, c.512 (C.39:4-
12 50.4a), ³section 1 of³ P.L.1992, c.189 (C.39:4-50.14), R.S.39:4-129,
13 N.J.S.2C:11-5, subsection c. of N.J.S.2C:12-1, or any other motor
14 vehicle-related violation the commission determines to be
15 significant and applicable pursuant to regulation; and (4) passed an
16 examination of the applicant's ability to operate a motor vehicle
17 pursuant to this section.

18 The commission shall expand the driver's license examination by
19 ~~1~~¹~~20%~~ 20 percent¹. The additional questions to be added shall
20 consist solely of questions developed in conjunction with the
21 Department of Health concerning the use of alcohol or drugs as
22 related to highway safety. The commission shall develop, in
23 conjunction with the Department of Health, supplements to the
24 driver's manual which shall include information necessary to
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46 laws and the "STOP for Nikhil Safety Pledge" set forth in
47 subsection e. of R.S.39:3-41.

1 Any person applying for a driver's license to operate a motor
2 vehicle or motorized bicycle in this State shall surrender to the
3 commission any current driver's license issued to the applicant by
4 another state or jurisdiction upon the applicant's receipt of a driver's
5 license for this State. The commission shall refuse to issue a
6 driver's license if the applicant fails to comply with this provision.
7 An applicant for a permit or license who is less than 18 years of
8 age, and who holds a permit or license for a passenger automobile
9 issued by another state or country that is valid or has expired within
10 a time period designated by the commission, shall be subject to the
11 permit and license requirements and penalties applicable to State
12 permit and license applicants who are of the same age; except that if
13 the other state or country has permit or license standards
14 substantially similar to those of this State, the credentials of the
15 other state or country shall be acceptable.

16 The commission shall create classified licensing of drivers
17 covering the following classifications:

18 a. Motorcycles, except that for the purposes of this section,
19 motorcycle shall not include any three-wheeled motor vehicle
20 equipped with a single cab with glazing enclosing the occupant,
21 seats similar to those of a passenger vehicle or truck, seat belts and
22 automotive steering or any vehicle defined as a motorcycle pursuant
23 to R.S.39:1-1 having a motor with a maximum piston displacement
24 that is less than 50 cubic centimeters or a motor that is rated at no
25 more than 1.5 brake horsepower with a maximum speed of no more
26 than 35 miles per hour on a flat surface.

27 b. Omnibuses as classified by R.S.39:3-10.1 and school buses
28 classified under N.J.S.18A:39-1 et seq.

29 c. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1999, c.28) **3[.]3**

30 d. All motor vehicles not included in classifications a. and b. A
31 license issued pursuant to this classification d. shall be referred to
32 as the "basic driver's license."

33 Every applicant for a license under classification b. shall be a
34 holder of a basic driver's license. Any issuance of a license under
35 classification b. shall be by endorsement on the basic driver's
36 license.

37 A driver's license for motorcycles may be issued separately, but
38 if issued to the holder of a basic driver's license, it shall be by
39 endorsement on the basic driver's license. The holder of a basic
40 driver's license or a separately issued motorcycle license shall be
41 authorized to operate a motorcycle having a motor with a maximum
42 piston displacement that is less than 50 cubic centimeters or a motor
43 that is rated at no more than 1.5 brake horsepower with a maximum
44 speed no more than 35 miles per hour on a flat surface.

45 The commission, upon payment of the lawful fee and after it or a
46 person authorized by it has examined the applicant and is satisfied
47 of the applicant's ability as an operator, may, in its discretion, issue
48 a license to the applicant to drive a motor vehicle. The license shall

1 authorize **him** the person to drive any registered vehicle, of the
2 kind or kinds indicated **and** .

3 The license shall expire, except as otherwise provided, on the
4 last day of during the ¹[48th] fourth¹ calendar ¹[month] year¹
5 following the ¹[calendar month] date¹ in which **such** the license
6 was issued and on the same ¹[numerical]¹ calendar day as the
7 person's ¹[numerical day] date¹ of birth. If the person's
8 ¹[numerical day] date¹ of birth does not correspond to a
9 ¹[numerical]¹ calendar day of the ¹[48th] fourth¹ calendar
10 ¹[month] year¹ , the license shall expire on the last day of the
11 ¹[48th calendar] person's birth¹ month.

12 The commission may, at its discretion and for good cause shown,
13 issue licenses which shall expire on a date fixed by it. If the
14 commission issues a license to a person who has demonstrated
15 authorization to be present in the United States for a period of time
16 shorter than the standard period of the license, the commission shall
17 fix the expiration date of the license at a date based on the period in
18 which the person is authorized to be present in the United States
19 under federal immigration laws. The commission may renew **such**
20 **a** the license only if it is demonstrated that the person's continued
21 presence in the United States is authorized under federal law. The
22 fee for licenses with expiration dates fixed by the commission shall
23 be fixed by the commission in amounts proportionately less or
24 greater than the fee herein established.

25 The required fee for a license for the ²[48-month] license²
26 period shall be as follows:

27 Motorcycle license or endorsement: \$18.

28 Omnibus or school bus endorsement: \$18.

29 Basic driver's license: \$18.

30 The commission shall waive the payment of fees for issuance of
31 omnibus endorsements whenever an applicant establishes to the
32 commission's satisfaction that **said** the applicant will use the
33 omnibus endorsement exclusively for operating omnibuses owned
34 by a nonprofit organization duly incorporated under Title 15 or 16
35 of the Revised Statutes or Title 15A of the New Jersey Statutes.

36 The commission shall issue licenses for the following license
37 period on and after the first day of the calendar month immediately
38 preceding the commencement of **such** the period, **such** the
39 licenses to be effective immediately.

40 All applications for renewals of licenses shall be made in a
41 manner prescribed by the commission and in accordance with
42 procedures established by it.

43 The commission in its discretion may refuse to grant a permit or
44 license to drive motor vehicles to a person who is, in its estimation,
45 not a proper person to be granted **such** a permit or license, but
46 ¹[no] a¹ defect of the applicant shall ¹not¹ debar the applicant from
47 receiving a permit or license unless it can be shown by tests

1 approved by the commission that the defect incapacitates the
2 applicant from safely operating a motor vehicle.

3 In addition to requiring an applicant for a driver's license to
4 submit satisfactory proof of identity and age, the commission also
5 shall require the applicant to provide, as a condition for obtaining a
6 permit and license, satisfactory proof that the applicant's presence
7 in the United States is authorized under federal law.

8 If the commission has reasonable cause to suspect that any
9 document presented by an applicant as proof of identity, age or
10 legal residency is altered, false^{1,1} or otherwise invalid, the
11 commission shall refuse to grant the permit or license until **[such]**
12 **the** time as the document may be verified by the issuing agency to
13 the commission's satisfaction.

14 A person violating this section shall be subject to a fine not
15 exceeding \$500 or imprisonment in the county jail for not more
16 than 60 days, but if that person has never been licensed to drive in
17 this State or any other jurisdiction, the applicant shall be subject to
18 a fine of not less than \$200 and, in addition, the court shall issue an
19 order to the commission requiring the commission to refuse to issue
20 a license to operate a motor vehicle to the person for a period of not
21 less than 180 days. The penalties provided for by this paragraph
22 shall not be applicable in cases where failure to have actual
23 possession of the operator's license is due to an administrative or
24 technical error by the commission.

25 Nothing in this section shall be construed to alter or extend the
26 expiration of any license issued prior to the date this amendatory
27 and supplementary act becomes operative.

28 As used in this section:

29 "Parking sensors" means proximity sensors which use either
30 electromagnetic or ultrasonic technology and are designed to alert
31 the driver to obstacles while parking.

32 "Rear visibility system" means devices or components installed
33 on a motor vehicle at the time of manufacture that allow a forward
34 facing driver to view a visual image of the area directly behind the
35 vehicle.

36 (cf: P.L.2016, c.41, s.1)

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38 ¹2. Section 4 of P.L.1980, c.47 (C.39:3-29.5) is amended to read
39 as follows:

40 4. a. Except as provided in subsection b. of this section, each
41 original identification card authorized by section 2 of **[this act]**
42 P.L.1980, c.47 (C.39:3-29.3) shall, unless canceled earlier or
43 otherwise provided, ³**[be valid for]**³ **[48 calendar months]** ³**[four**
44 **calendar years from]** expire during the fourth calendar year
45 following³ its date of issuance, and ³**[shall expire]**³ on the same
46 ³**calendar**³ day as the ³**[date of birth of the bearer of the**
47 **identification card]** person's date of birth³ . If the date of birth of
48 the bearer of the identification card does not correspond to a

1 calendar day of the fourth calendar year, the identification card
 2 shall expire on the last day of the birth month of the bearer of the
 3 card.

4 **【and】** The identification card shall be renewable upon the
 5 request of the bearer of the card, pursuant to terms of license
 6 renewal established by the **【Division of Motor Vehicles】** New
 7 Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, and upon payment of a fee as
 8 required by section 6 of **【this act】** P.L.1980, c.47 (C.39:3-29.7).
 9 An identification card issued pursuant to **【this act】** P.L.1980, c.47
 10 (C.39:3-29.2 et seq.) to an applicant who is blind, disabled, or
 11 handicapped shall be valid for the life of the holder unless canceled
 12 by the holder. Cards issued prior to October 16, 1989 and valid
 13 upon the effective date of **【this amendatory act】** P.L.1990, c.30
 14 shall be valid for the life of the holder unless canceled by the
 15 holder. Cards issued to blind, disabled or handicapped persons
 16 between October 16, 1989 and the effective date of **【this**
 17 **amendatory act】** P.L.1990, c.30, and which are valid on the
 18 effective date of **【this act】** P.L.1980, c.47 (C39:3-29.2 et seq.),
 19 shall be made valid for the life of the holder unless canceled by the
 20 holder, upon presentation of proof that the blindness, disability, or
 21 handicap existed at the time of the original application. The
 22 ³**【director】** chief administrator³ is authorized to require periodic
 23 verification of information included on any identification card
 24 issued for or valid for the life of the holder. Nothing in this section
 25 shall be construed to alter or change any expiration date on any
 26 New Jersey identification card issued prior to the operative date of
 27 P.L.2001, c.391 (C.39:3-10f4 et al.) and any such identification
 28 card shall remain valid until its expiration date.

29 b. If the ³**【director】** chief administrator³ issues an
 30 identification card to a person who has demonstrated authorization
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 32 the standard periods of **【such】** identification cards, the ³**【director】**
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 34 card at a date based on the period in which the person is authorized
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 37 card only if it is demonstrated that the person's continued presence
 38 in the United States is authorized under federal law.¹
 39 (cf: P.L.2001, c.391, s.7)

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 41 ¹**【2.】** ³1 This act shall take effect on the first day of the seventh
 42 month after enactment ²and shall apply only to licenses and cards
 43 issued or renewed on and after this date².

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 46 Provides that driver's license and identification cards expire
 47 every four years on licensee or cardholder's birthday.

SENATE, No. 2564

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
217th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED SEPTEMBER 26, 2016

Sponsored by:

Senator LORETTA WEINBERG

District 37 (Bergen)

Senator ANTHONY R. BUCCO

District 25 (Morris and Somerset)

SYNOPSIS

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CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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5 equipped with a single cab with glazing enclosing the occupant,
6 seats similar to those of a passenger vehicle or truck, seat belts and
7 automotive steering or any vehicle defined as a motorcycle pursuant
8 to R.S.39:1-1 having a motor with a maximum piston displacement
9 that is less than 50 cubic centimeters or a motor that is rated at no
10 more than 1.5 brake horsepower with a maximum speed of no more
11 than 35 miles per hour on a flat surface.

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13 classified under N.J.S.18A:39-1 et seq.

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21 license.

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25 driver's license or a separately issued motorcycle license shall be
26 authorized to operate a motorcycle having a motor with a maximum
27 piston displacement that is less than 50 cubic centimeters or a motor
28 that is rated at no more than 1.5 brake horsepower with a maximum
29 speed no more than 35 miles per hour on a flat surface.

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31 person authorized by it has examined the applicant and is satisfied
32 of the applicant's ability as an operator, may, in its discretion, issue
33 a license to the applicant to drive a motor vehicle. The license shall
34 authorize **【him】** the person to drive any registered vehicle, of the
35 kind or kinds indicated **【, and】** .

36 The license shall expire, except as otherwise provided, **【on the**
37 last day of】 during the 48th calendar month following the calendar
38 month in which **【such】** the license was issued and on the same
39 numerical calendar day as the person's numerical day of birth. If
40 the person's numerical day of birth does not correspond to a
41 numerical calendar day of the 48th calendar month, the license shall
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2 under federal immigration laws. The commission may renew [such
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4 presence in the United States is authorized under federal law. The
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13 The commission shall waive the payment of fees for issuance of
14 omnibus endorsements whenever an applicant establishes to the
15 commission's satisfaction that [said] the applicant will use the
16 omnibus endorsement exclusively for operating omnibuses owned
17 by a nonprofit organization duly incorporated under Title 15 or 16
18 of the Revised Statutes or Title 15A of the New Jersey Statutes.

19 The commission shall issue licenses for the following license
20 period on and after the first day of the calendar month immediately
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31 commission that the defect incapacitates the applicant from safely
32 operating a motor vehicle.

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42 the time as the document may be verified by the issuing agency to
43 the commission's satisfaction.

44 A person violating this section shall be subject to a fine not
45 exceeding \$500 or imprisonment in the county jail for not more
46 than 60 days, but if that person has never been licensed to drive in
47 this State or any other jurisdiction, the applicant shall be subject to
48 a fine of not less than \$200 and, in addition, the court shall issue an

1 order to the commission requiring the commission to refuse to issue
2 a license to operate a motor vehicle to the person for a period of not
3 less than 180 days. The penalties provided for by this paragraph
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5 possession of the operator's license is due to an administrative or
6 technical error by the commission.

7 Nothing in this section shall be construed to alter or extend the
8 expiration of any license issued prior to the date this amendatory
9 and supplementary act becomes operative.
10 (cf: P.L.2015, c.78, s.1)

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12 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the seventh month
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16 STATEMENT

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18 This bill provides that a person's driver's license expires four
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20 birthday.

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22 day of the 48th month after the license was issued. Under this bill,
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24 month after the license was issued and on the numerical calendar
25 day that corresponds to the person's numerical day of birth. If the
26 person's numerical day of birth does not correspond with a
27 numerical calendar day in the 48th month, the license is to expire
28 on the last day of the 48th month.

29 According to the sponsor, the intent of this bill is to reduce the
30 lines and wait time at Motor Vehicle Commission offices by having
31 a person's driver's license expire on the day of his or her birthday,
32 rather than on the last day of the month.

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2564

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 13, 2016

The Senate Transportation Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 2564.

As amended and reported, this bill provides that a person's driver's license or identification card expires four years after issuing the license or identification card on the person's birthday.

Under current law, a person's driver's license expires on the last day of the 48th month after the license was issued. Under this bill, as amended and reported, a person's driver's license or identification card would expire during the fourth calendar year after the license or identification card was issued and on the person's day of birth. If the person's day of birth does not correspond with a calendar day in the fourth calendar year, the license or identification card is to expire on the last day of the month of the person's birth.

The committee amended the bill to include identification cards in the documentation to expire four years after issuance on the person's birthday. The amendments clarify that the expiration of a document is to occur on the person's birthday and not on the numerical day of the person's day of birth of the calendar month in which the license or identification card was issued. The amendments make additional technical changes to correct certain grammatical errors.

SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

SENATE, No. 2564

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2016

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2564 (1R), with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill provides that a person's driver's license or identification card expires four years after issuing the license or identification card on the person's birthday.

Under current law, a person's driver's license expires on the last day of the 48th month after the license was issued. Under this bill, a person's driver's license or identification card would expire during the fourth calendar year after the license or identification card was issued and on the person's day of birth. If the person's day of birth does not correspond with a calendar day in the fourth calendar year, the license or identification card is to expire on the last day of the month of the person's birth.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The amendments clarify that the change in issuance and renewal periods will only apply to licenses and cards issued or renewed on and after the effective date, which is the first day of the seventh month after enactment. The amendments also make technical amendments to clarify that the fee paid to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC) is for the new, applicable period of licensing, and is not based on the current 48-month period as is currently provided in the statutory fee schedule.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Office of Legislative Services notes that this bill will have no fiscal impact on the MVC. The fiscal impact to the MVC in issuing a driver's license or identification card is based on the cost to produce the license or card, and not the frequency of the issuance of the license or card. Therefore, although some licenses or cards will be renewed in a period less than or greater than 48 months, depending on the issuance date and the date of the person's birthday, there will be no fiscal impact on the MVC as a result of the bill. The bill does not

affect the cost to produce a drivers' license or identification card or the payment the MVC receives for each license or card issued.

It is possible that the MVC will save staffing costs in eliminating potential overtime pay on the last working day of each month. Currently, driver's licenses expire on the last day of the 48th month after the license was issued, and it is possible that MVC pays certain employees overtime pay on the last working day of the month to accommodate the higher volume of persons wishing to renew their licenses. This bill distributes driver license renewals throughout the month, thus eliminating the need to pay certain employees overtime pay. The potential savings to the MVC is indeterminate without information regarding the MVC's staffing costs and needs.

STATEMENT TO
[Second Reprint]
SENATE, No. 2564

with Assembly Floor Amendments
(Proposed by Assemblyman JOHNSON)

ADOPTED: MARCH 16, 2017

These Assembly amendments provide that an identification card is to expire during the fourth calendar year following its date of issuance and on the same calendar day as the person's date of birth instead of four calendar years from the date of issuance on the same day as the identification card holder's date of birth. The amendments also include the technical changes to provide proper reference to the Chief Administrator of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission and to sections of law identified within the bill.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

[Second Reprint]

SENATE, No. 2564

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 217th LEGISLATURE

DATED: NOVEMBER 18, 2016

SUMMARY

- Synopsis:** Provides that driver's license and identification cards expire every four years on licensee or cardholder's birthday.
- Type of Impact:** No State cost
- Agencies Affected:** New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC)

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3</u>
State Cost	No impact - See comments below.		

- Providing that driver's license and identification cards expire every four years on the licensee or cardholder's birthday, as opposed to the last day of the 48th month after the license or card was issued as is required under current law, will have no impact on the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC), as this provision will not require the MVC to issue more or less licenses or cards for each license fee.
- It is possible that the MVC will save staffing costs in eliminating potential overtime pay on the last working day of each month; however, the potential savings is indeterminate without information regarding the MVC's staffing costs and needs.

BILL DESCRIPTION

Senate Bill No. 2564 (2R) of 2016 provides that a person's driver's license or identification card expires four years after issuing the license or identification card on the person's birthday.

Under current law, a person's driver's license card expires on the last day of the 48th month after the license was issued. Under this bill, a person's driver's license or identification card is to expire during the fourth calendar year after the license or identification card was issued and on the person's day of birth. If the person's day of birth does not correspond with a calendar day in the fourth calendar year, the license or identification card is to expire on the last day of the month of the person's birth.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

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Section: Authorities, Utilities, Transportation and Communications

*Analyst: Richard Diaconu
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*Approved: Frank W. Haines III
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This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67 (C.52:13B-6 et seq.).

ASSEMBLY, No. 4115

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 217th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

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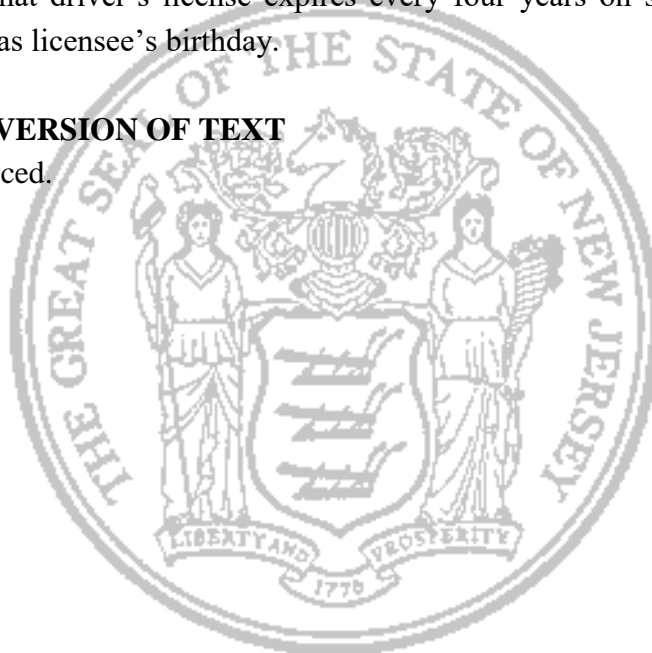
Assemblyman Wisniewski

SYNOPSIS

Provides that driver's license expires every four years on same numerical calendar day as licensee's birthday.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 11/15/2016)

A4115 JOHNSON, VAINIERI HUTTLE

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1 AN ACT concerning driver's licenses and amending R.S.39:3-10.

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3 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
4 of New Jersey:

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6 1. R.S.39:3-10 is amended to read as follows:

7 39:3-10. No person shall drive a motor vehicle on a public
8 highway in this State unless the person is under supervision while
9 participating in a behind-the-wheel driving course pursuant to
10 section 6 of P.L.1977, c.25 (C.39:3-13.2a) or is in possession of a
11 validated permit, or a probationary or basic driver's license issued to
12 that person in accordance with this article.

13 No person under 18 years of age shall be issued a basic license to
14 drive motor vehicles, nor shall a person be issued a validated
15 permit, including a validated examination permit, until the applicant
16 has passed a satisfactory examination and other requirements as to
17 the applicant's ability as an operator. The examination shall include
18 a test of the applicant's vision, the applicant's ability to understand
19 traffic control devices, the applicant's knowledge of safe driving
20 practices, including the dangers of driving a vehicle in an
21 aggressive manner, which shall include, but not be limited to,
22 unexpectedly altering the speed of a vehicle, making improper or
23 erratic traffic lane changes, disregarding traffic control devices,
24 failing to yield the right of way, and following another vehicle too
25 closely, and of the effects that ingestion of alcohol or drugs has on a
26 person's ability to operate a motor vehicle, the applicant's
27 knowledge of **[such]** portions of the mechanism of motor vehicles
28 as is necessary to insure the safe operation of a vehicle of the kind
29 or kinds indicated by the applicant, and of the laws and ordinary
30 usages of the road. No person shall sit for an examination for any
31 permit without exhibiting photo identification deemed acceptable
32 by the commission, unless that person is a high school student
33 participating in a course of automobile driving education approved
34 by the State Department of Education and conducted in a public,
35 parochial, or private school of this State, pursuant to section 1 of
36 P.L.1950, c.127 (C.39:3-13.1). The commission may waive the
37 written law knowledge examination for any person 18 years of age
38 or older possessing a valid driver's license issued by any other state,
39 the District of Columbia, or the United States Territories of
40 American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, or the Virgin Islands. The
41 commission shall be required to provide that person with a booklet
42 that highlights those motor vehicle laws unique to New Jersey. A
43 road test shall be required for a probationary license and serve as a
44 demonstration of the applicant's ability to operate a vehicle of the
45 class designated. No person shall sit for a road test unless that

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 person exhibits photo identification deemed acceptable by the
2 commission. A high school student who has completed a course of
3 behind-the-wheel automobile driving education approved by the
4 State Department of Education and conducted in a public, parochial,
5 or private school of this State, who has been issued a special
6 learner's permit pursuant to section 1 of P.L.1950, c.127 (C.39:3-
7 13.1) prior to January 1, 2003, shall not be required to exhibit photo
8 identification in order to sit for a road test. The commission may
9 waive the road test for any person 18 years of age or older
10 possessing a valid driver's license issued by any other state, the
11 District of Columbia, or the United States Territories of American
12 Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, or the Virgin Islands. The road test
13 shall be given on public streets, where practicable and feasible, but
14 may be preceded by an off-street screening process to assess basic
15 skills. The commission shall approve locations for the road test
16 which pose no more than a minimal risk of injury to the applicant,
17 the examiner, and other motorists. No new locations for the road
18 test shall be approved unless the test can be given on public streets.

19 A person who successfully completes a road test for a
20 motorcycle license or a motorcycle endorsement when operating a
21 motorcycle or motorized scooter with an engine displacement of
22 less than 231 cubic centimeters shall be issued a motorcycle license
23 or endorsement restricting the person's operation of such vehicles to
24 any motorcycle with an engine displacement of 500 cubic
25 centimeters or less. A person who successfully completes a road
26 test for a motorcycle license or motorcycle endorsement when
27 operating a motorcycle with an engine displacement of 231 or more
28 cubic centimeters shall be issued a motorcycle license or
29 endorsement without any restriction as to engine displacement.
30 Any person who successfully completes an approved motorcycle
31 safety education course established pursuant to the provisions of
32 section 1 of P.L.1991, c.452 (C.27:5F-36) shall be issued a
33 motorcycle license or endorsement without restriction as to engine
34 displacement.

35 The commission shall issue a basic driver's license to operate a
36 motor vehicle other than a motorcycle to a person over 18 years of
37 age who previously has not been licensed to drive a motor vehicle
38 in this State or another jurisdiction only if that person has: (1)
39 operated a passenger automobile in compliance with the
40 requirements of this title for not less than one year, not including
41 any period of suspension or postponement, from the date of
42 issuance of a probationary license pursuant to section 4 of
43 P.L.1950, c.127 (C.39:3-13.4); (2) not been assessed more than two
44 motor vehicle points; (3) not been convicted in the previous year for
45 a violation of R.S.39:4-50, section 2 of P.L.1981, c.512 (C.39:4-
46 50.4a), P.L.1992, c.189 (C.39:4-50.14), R.S.39:4-129, N.J.S.2C:11-
47 5, subsection c. of N.J.S.2C:12-1, or any other motor vehicle-
48 related violation the commission determines to be significant and

1 applicable pursuant to regulation; and (4) passed an examination of
2 the applicant's ability to operate a motor vehicle pursuant to this
3 section.

4 The commission shall expand the driver's license examination by
5 20%. The additional questions to be added shall consist solely of
6 questions developed in conjunction with the Department of Health
7 concerning the use of alcohol or drugs as related to highway safety.
8 The commission shall develop, in conjunction with the Department
9 of Health, supplements to the driver's manual which shall include
10 information necessary to answer any question on the driver's license
11 examination concerning alcohol or drugs as related to highway
12 safety.

13 Up to 20 questions may be added to the examination on subjects
14 to be determined by the commission that are of particular relevance
15 to youthful drivers, including the dangers of driving a vehicle in an
16 aggressive manner, which shall include, but not be limited to,
17 unexpectedly altering the speed of a vehicle, making improper or
18 erratic traffic lane changes, disregarding traffic control devices,
19 failing to yield the right of way, and following another vehicle too
20 closely, after consultation with the Director of the Division of
21 Highway Traffic Safety in the Department of Law and Public
22 Safety.

23 The commission shall expand the driver's license examination to
24 include a question asking whether the applicant is aware of the
25 provisions of the "Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act,"
26 P.L.2008, c.50 (C.26:6-77 et al.) and the procedure for indicating on
27 the driver's license the intention to make a donation of body organs
28 or tissues pursuant to P.L.1978, c.181 (C.39:3-12.2).

29 The commission shall expand the driver's license examination to
30 include a question asking whether the applicant is aware of the
31 dangers of failing to comply with this State's motor vehicle traffic
32 laws and the "STOP for Nikhil Safety Pledge" set forth in
33 subsection e. of R.S.39:3-41.

34 Any person applying for a driver's license to operate a motor
35 vehicle or motorized bicycle in this State shall surrender to the
36 commission any current driver's license issued to the applicant by
37 another state or jurisdiction upon the applicant's receipt of a driver's
38 license for this State. The commission shall refuse to issue a
39 driver's license if the applicant fails to comply with this provision.
40 An applicant for a permit or license who is less than 18 years of
41 age, and who holds a permit or license for a passenger automobile
42 issued by another state or country that is valid or has expired within
43 a time period designated by the commission, shall be subject to the
44 permit and license requirements and penalties applicable to State
45 permit and license applicants who are of the same age; except that if
46 the other state or country has permit or license standards
47 substantially similar to those of this State, the credentials of the
48 other state or country shall be acceptable.

1 The commission shall create classified licensing of drivers
2 covering the following classifications:

3 a. Motorcycles, except that for the purposes of this section,
4 motorcycle shall not include any three-wheeled motor vehicle
5 equipped with a single cab with glazing enclosing the occupant,
6 seats similar to those of a passenger vehicle or truck, seat belts and
7 automotive steering or any vehicle defined as a motorcycle pursuant
8 to R.S.39:1-1 having a motor with a maximum piston displacement
9 that is less than 50 cubic centimeters or a motor that is rated at no
10 more than 1.5 brake horsepower with a maximum speed of no more
11 than 35 miles per hour on a flat surface.

12 b. Omnibuses as classified by R.S.39:3-10.1 and school buses
13 classified under N.J.S.18A:39-1 et seq.

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15 d. All motor vehicles not included in classifications a. and b. A
16 license issued pursuant to this classification d. shall be referred to
17 as the "basic driver's license."

18 Every applicant for a license under classification b. shall be a
19 holder of a basic driver's license. Any issuance of a license under
20 classification b. shall be by endorsement on the basic driver's
21 license.

22 A driver's license for motorcycles may be issued separately, but
23 if issued to the holder of a basic driver's license, it shall be by
24 endorsement on the basic driver's license. The holder of a basic
25 driver's license or a separately issued motorcycle license shall be
26 authorized to operate a motorcycle having a motor with a maximum
27 piston displacement that is less than 50 cubic centimeters or a motor
28 that is rated at no more than 1.5 brake horsepower with a maximum
29 speed no more than 35 miles per hour on a flat surface.

30 The commission, upon payment of the lawful fee and after it or a
31 person authorized by it has examined the applicant and is satisfied
32 of the applicant's ability as an operator, may, in its discretion, issue
33 a license to the applicant to drive a motor vehicle. The license shall
34 authorize **【him】** the person to drive any registered vehicle, of the
35 kind or kinds indicated **【, and】** .

36 The license shall expire, except as otherwise provided, 【on the
37 last day of】 during the 48th calendar month following the calendar
38 month in which **【such】** the license was issued and on the same
39 numerical calendar day as the person's numerical day of birth. If
40 the person's numerical day of birth does not correspond to a
41 numerical calendar day of the 48th calendar month, the license shall
42 expire on the last day of the 48th calendar month.

43 The commission may, at its discretion and for good cause shown,
44 issue licenses which shall expire on a date fixed by it. If the
45 commission issues a license to a person who has demonstrated
46 authorization to be present in the United States for a period of time
47 shorter than the standard period of the license, the commission shall
48 fix the expiration date of the license at a date based on the period in

1 which the person is authorized to be present in the United States
2 under federal immigration laws. The commission may renew [such
3 a] the license only if it is demonstrated that the person's continued
4 presence in the United States is authorized under federal law. The
5 fee for licenses with expiration dates fixed by the commission shall
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7 greater than the fee herein established.

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9 follows:

10 Motorcycle license or endorsement: \$18.

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12 Basic driver's license: \$18.

13 The commission shall waive the payment of fees for issuance of
14 omnibus endorsements whenever an applicant establishes to the
15 commission's satisfaction that [said] the applicant will use the
16 omnibus endorsement exclusively for operating omnibuses owned
17 by a nonprofit organization duly incorporated under Title 15 or 16
18 of the Revised Statutes or Title 15A of the New Jersey Statutes.

19 The commission shall issue licenses for the following license
20 period on and after the first day of the calendar month immediately
21 preceding the commencement of [such] the period, [such] the
22 licenses to be effective immediately.

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24 manner prescribed by the commission and in accordance with
25 procedures established by it.

26 The commission in its discretion may refuse to grant a permit or
27 license to drive motor vehicles to a person who is, in its estimation,
28 not a proper person to be granted [such] a permit or license, but no
29 defect of the applicant shall debar the applicant from receiving a
30 permit or license unless it can be shown by tests approved by the
31 commission that the defect incapacitates the applicant from safely
32 operating a motor vehicle.

33 In addition to requiring an applicant for a driver's license to
34 submit satisfactory proof of identity and age, the commission also
35 shall require the applicant to provide, as a condition for obtaining a
36 permit and license, satisfactory proof that the applicant's presence
37 in the United States is authorized under federal law.

38 If the commission has reasonable cause to suspect that any
39 document presented by an applicant as proof of identity, age or
40 legal residency is altered, false or otherwise invalid, the
41 commission shall refuse to grant the permit or license until [such]
42 the time as the document may be verified by the issuing agency to
43 the commission's satisfaction.

44 A person violating this section shall be subject to a fine not
45 exceeding \$500 or imprisonment in the county jail for not more
46 than 60 days, but if that person has never been licensed to drive in
47 this State or any other jurisdiction, the applicant shall be subject to
48 a fine of not less than \$200 and, in addition, the court shall issue an

1 order to the commission requiring the commission to refuse to issue
2 a license to operate a motor vehicle to the person for a period of not
3 less than 180 days. The penalties provided for by this paragraph
4 shall not be applicable in cases where failure to have actual
5 possession of the operator's license is due to an administrative or
6 technical error by the commission.

7 Nothing in this section shall be construed to alter or extend the
8 expiration of any license issued prior to the date this amendatory
9 and supplementary act becomes operative.

10 (cf: P.L.2015, c.78, s.1)

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12 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the seventh
13 month after enactment.

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STATEMENT

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19 years after issuing the license on the numerical date of the person's
20 birthday.

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22 day of the 48th month after the license was issued. Under this bill,
23 a person's driver's license would expire during the 48th calendar
24 month after the license was issued and on the numerical calendar
25 day that corresponds to the person's numerical day of birth. If the
26 person's numerical day of birth does not correspond with a
27 numerical calendar day in the 48th month, the license is to expire
28 on the last day of the 48th month.

29 According to the sponsor, the intent of this bill is to reduce the
30 lines and wait time at Motor Vehicle Commission offices by having
31 a person's driver's license expire on the day of his or her birthday,
32 rather than on the last day of the month.

ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND INDEPENDENT
AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
ASSEMBLY, No. 4115

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 14, 2016

The Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 4115.

As amended and reported, this bill provides that a person's driver's license or identification card expires on the person's birthday in the fourth year following issuance of the license or identification card. If the person's birthday does not correspond with a calendar day in the fourth calendar year, the license or identification card is to expire on the last day of the month of the person's birth.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amended the bill to: update section 1 of the bill to include the changes made to that section of law as amended by P.L.2016, c.41 (approved August 31, 2016); include identification cards as a type of documentation that expires on the person's birthday in the fourth year following issuance of the card; provide that the expiration of a document is to occur on the person's birthday and not on the numerical day of the person's day of birth of the calendar month in which the license was issued; provide that the provisions of the bill apply only to licenses and identification cards issued or renewed on or after the effective date of the bill; and make additional technical changes to correct certain grammatical errors.

Governor Christie Takes Action On Pending Legislation

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Trenton, NJ - Governor Chris Christie today announced that he has taken action on the following pending legislation:

BILL SIGNINGS:

S-295/A-2334 (Vitale, Sarlo/Benson, Vainieri Huttle, Mazzeo, Mukherji, Downey, Wimberly) - Requires DOH to issue standing order authorizing pharmacists to dispense opioid antidotes to patients without individual prescriptions

S-651/A-4262 (Turner, Pennacchio/Muoio, Lampitt, Chiaravalloti, Mukherji, Jimenez) - Requires family day care providers and certain household members to undergo criminal history record background checks

S-972wGR/A-1788 (Sweeney, O'Toole, Ruiz/Burzichelli, Giblin, Pintor Marin) – Establishes Child Advocacy Center-Multidisciplinary Team Advisory Board and certification program for child advocacy centers and multidisciplinary teams; appropriates \$10 million

S-2564/A-4115 (Weinberg, A.R. Bucco/Johnson, Vainieri Huttle, A.M. Bucco, Quijano, Holley, Mukherji) - Provides that driver's license and identification cards expire every four years on licensee or cardholder's birthday

AJR-91/SJR-71 (Tucker, Johnson, Holley, Downey/Beach, Van Drew) - Designates June 27 of each year as "Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day"

BILL VETOED:

A-4352/S-2843 (Burzichelli, Taliaferro/Sweeney) – CONDITIONAL - Provides for elimination of newly formed non-operating school districts; establishes procedures for eliminating deficit that existed prior to merger; authorizes renting of school building for 10 years

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"I'm so pleased to serve once again as a Scholastic Reading Ambassador to help reinforce the important role that summer reading plays in learning," said First Lady Mary Pat Christie. "Reading is such a powerful mechanism that can inspire, motivate and encourage children to be successful in school and in life. I am excited that the students of Red Bank Primary School will have an additional opportunity to experience the joy of reading through this wonderful initiative."

The Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge is a free program that encourages children to continue to read during the summer months in order to avoid the "summer slide" — learning losses which can occur when school is not in session. Ensuring that children

have access to books during these months is critical to enhancing reading achievement.

"Summer slide" accounts for as much as 85 percent of the reading achievement gap between lower income students and their middle-and upper-income peers, according to Scholastic. Having children stick to a reading routine during the

summer break is crucial to strengthening reading proficiency. For every minute a child reads, he or she is enhancing those reading skills.



Red Bank Primary School covers students in Pre-K to Grade 3 and serves more than 600 students with nearly 100 staff members.

"We are beyond ecstatic to have been selected by our First Lady, Mary Pat Christie, to receive these special books for Summer Reading," said Luigi Laugelli, Principal of the Red Bank Primary School. "Our students, families and staff are grateful for access to quality literature, especially throughout the summer. As educators, we hope to instill the love of reading in our children and strive to ensure this love continues well beyond their time in school."

In 2016, Newell Elementary

School in Allentown logged 2,606,028 reading minutes, making them the number one school in New Jersey last year.

Nearly 250,000 children from 5,154 schools in all 50 states as well as 25 countries read and logged more than 204 million minutes during the 2016 summer campaign.

For more information about the 2017 Scholastic Summer Challenge, visit

<http://www.scholastic.com/ups/campaigns/src-2017/>

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