

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2003**

**SESSION LAW 2003-14  
SENATE BILL 2**

**AN ACT TO ALLOW CERTAIN APPLICANTS FOR DRIVERS LICENSES TO  
SUBMIT MEDICAL CERTIFICATES FROM OUT-OF-STATE PHYSICIANS.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-9(g)(2) reads as rewritten:

"(g) The Division may issue a driver's license to any applicant covered by subsection (e) of this section under the following conditions:

- (2) The Division shall not issue a license pursuant to this section unless the applicant has submitted to a physical examination by a physician or surgeon duly licensed to practice medicine in this State or in any other state of the United States and unless such examining physician or surgeon has completed and signed the certificate required by subdivision (1). Such certificate shall be devised by the Commissioner with the advice of qualified experts in the field of diagnosing and treating physical and mental disorders as he may select to assist him and shall be designed to elicit the maximum medical information necessary to aid in determining whether or not it would be a hazard to public safety to permit the applicant to operate a motor vehicle, including, if such is the fact, the examining physician's statement that the applicant is under medication and treatment and that such person's physical or mental disability is controlled. The certificate shall contain a waiver of privilege and the recommendation of the examining physician to the Commissioner as to whether a license should be issued to the applicant."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003.

s/ Marc Basnight  
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ James B. Black  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Michael F. Easley  
Governor

Approved 2:10 p.m. this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003