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HOUSE BILL 1157

Short Title: Electronic Drivers License Amendment. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Saine and Torbett (Primary Sponsors).

For a complete list of Sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly Web Site.

Referred to: Transportation.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR REMOTE RENEWAL OF DRIVERS LICENSES.
3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

4 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-7 reads as rewritten:

5 "**§ 20-7. Issuance and renewal of drivers licenses.**

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7 (f) Duration and Renewal of Licenses. – Drivers licenses shall be issued and renewed
8 pursuant to the provisions of this subsection:

9 ...
10 (6) Remote renewal. – The Division may offer remote renewal of a drivers
11 license issued by the Division. For purposes of this subdivision, "remote
12 renewal" means renewal of a drivers license by mail, telephone, electronic
13 device, or other secure means approved by the Commissioner.

14 a. Requirements. – To be eligible for remote renewal under this
15 subdivision, a person must meet all of the following requirements:

16 1. The license holder possesses a valid, unexpired Class C
17 drivers license that was issued when the person was at least
18 18 years old.

19 2. The license holder's current license includes no restrictions
20 other than a restriction for corrective lenses.

21 3. The license holder attests, in a manner designated by the
22 Division, that (i) the license holder is a resident of the State
23 and currently resides at the address on the license to be
24 renewed, (ii) the license holder's name as it appears on the
25 license to be renewed has not changed, and (iii) all other
26 information required by the Division for an in-person renewal
27 under this Article has been provided completely and
28 truthfully.

29 4. The most recent renewal was an in-person renewal and not a
30 remote renewal under this subdivision.

31 5. The license holder is otherwise eligible for renewal under this
32 subsection.

33 b. Waiver of requirements. – When renewing a drivers license pursuant
34 to this subdivision, the Division may waive the examination and
35 photograph that would otherwise be required for the renewal.



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- 1 c. Duration of remote renewal. – Notwithstanding any other provision
- 2 of this subsection, a renewed drivers license issued to a person by
- 3 remote renewal under this subdivision expires four years after the
- 4 expiration date of the license that is renewed.
- 5 d. Rules. – The Division may adopt rules to implement this subdivision.
- 6 e. Federal law. – Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to
- 7 supersede any more restrictive provisions for renewal of drivers
- 8 licenses prescribed by federal law or regulation.

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10 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to drivers
11 licenses renewed on or after the Division of Motor Vehicles adopts rules under
12 G.S. 20-7(f)(6)d., as enacted by Section 1 of this act.