

Subject Establishing a reintegration driver's license

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Overview

In the 2021 special session, the legislature passed laws limiting the practice of suspending a driver's license for failure to pay fines and providing the Department of Corrections with funding to assist inmates in obtaining birth certificates and Department of Corrections identification cards in order to obtain a state ID or driver's license. This bill establishes a reintegration driver's license for individuals who serve 180 or more consecutive days of incarceration and whose driver's license was suspended or revoked for specific incidents that occurred before the incarceration. Upon release, the individual may apply for a reintegration driver's license and, if the person maintains that license for a full year, the person may apply for full reinstatement of driving privileges.

Summary

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1	Reintegration license.
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	Establishes a reintegration driver's license for a person who was confined or incarcerated in a correctional facility for at least 180 consecutive days and whose license was suspended or revoked under the conditions that currently make some individuals eligible for a limited license. Establishes additional eligibility requirements related to vehicle insurance and medical ability to operate a vehicle, and prohibits issuing a license that could be used as a commercial driver's license or any other class A, B, or C license. Prohibits charging fees for the reintegration driver's license. Authorizes cancellation of the reintegration driver's license for actions that would result in the suspension, revocation, or cancellation of a driver's license. Provides for reinstatement of full driving privileges if the person possesses a reintegration driver's license for a full year, does not have that license cancelled, and pays any applicable license or endorsement fee for a driver's license. The section is effective July 1, 2022.
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