

2016 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 227

BY SENATORS COLOMB AND CARTER

MOTOR VEHICLES. Provides for the issuance of REAL ID compliant driver's licenses and special identification cards. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 32:410(E) and R.S. 40:1321(O) and to repeal Act No. 807 of the 2008 Regular  
3 Session of the Legislature and Act No. 151 of the 2010 Regular Session of the  
4 Legislature, relative to the issuance of drivers' licenses and special identification  
5 cards in compliance with the REAL ID Act of 2005; to provide for implementation  
6 of the REAL ID Act; to provide for exceptions; to provide for an effective date; and  
7 to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 32:410(E) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §410. Form of license; photograph, signature of licensee, anatomical gift statement,  
11 declaration of life-sustaining procedures, and additional information  
12 on license

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14 **E.(1) The department shall provide for the option of the issuance of**  
15 **drivers' licenses that are compliant or not compliant with the standards of the**  
16 **REAL ID Act of 2005, P. L. 109-13, and federal rules adopted pursuant thereto**  
17 **as of January 1, 2016, hereinafter collectively referred to as REAL ID, in the**

1 manner set forth in this Subsection.

2 (2) Any person applying for a driver's license pursuant to the provisions  
3 of this Chapter may elect to apply for a driver's license that complies with the  
4 standards of REAL ID. If that person is eligible for a driver's license to be  
5 issued pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter and meets all requirements of  
6 the United States Department of Homeland Security for a REAL ID compliant  
7 credential, that person shall be issued a driver's license which bears a United  
8 States Department of Homeland Security approved security marking reflecting  
9 that such credential meets REAL ID standards. A person who is issued a REAL  
10 ID compliant driver's license shall not be issued a REAL ID compliant special  
11 identification card.

12 (3) If a person applying for a driver's license pursuant to the provisions  
13 of this Chapter does not elect to apply for a driver's license that complies with  
14 REAL ID standards and that person is otherwise eligible to be issued a driver's  
15 license pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter that person shall be issued a  
16 driver's license which indicates the driver's license is not in compliance with  
17 REAL ID. If the person has elected not to apply for a REAL ID compliant  
18 driver's license, the department shall not require the applicant to comply with  
19 any of the REAL ID requirements which were not required by the state as of  
20 January 1, 2016. If the person has elected not to apply for a REAL ID compliant  
21 driver's license, the department shall not scan or maintain a copy of the  
22 applicant's documents proving his identity. This includes but is not limited to  
23 the applicant's birth certificate, social security card, or United States issued  
24 passport.

25 (4)(a) Each applicant for a driver's license shall be informed that he is  
26 not required by law to be issued a REAL ID compliant driver's license and may  
27 be issued a driver's license which is not REAL ID compliant. The applicant shall  
28 be required to indicate on his driver's license application whether he is applying  
29 for a REAL ID compliant driver's license or a driver's license that is not REAL

ID compliant.

(b) The office of motor vehicles shall post a sign in each location that provides a complete description of the REAL ID compliant driver's license, including but not limited to an explanation of what the license does, what information is collected and maintained, who has access to the data collected, how the data collected will be utilized, and that persons are not required by the state to accept the "gold star" or the REAL ID compliant driver's license.

(5) Compliance with REAL ID referenced in this Subsection shall be limited to those standards in effect as of January 1, 2016. Any subsequent changes or additions to federal laws or rules for implementation of REAL ID shall be implemented by the state if and only if such changes are approved by the legislature by a favorable vote of a majority of the elected members of each house.

(6) Any eligible person electing to obtain a driver's license which bears a United States Department of Homeland Security approved security marking reflecting that such credential meets REAL ID standards prior to the renewal date of his driver's license may be issued a duplicate license.

(7) Before January 2017, the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles, shall provide to the Senate and House committees on transportation, highways and public works a specific and detailed list of those standards in effect as of January 1, 2016, to which compliance with REAL ID in Louisiana is limited in this Subsection.

Section 2. R.S. 40:1321(O) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§1321. Special identification cards; issuance; veteran designation; university logo;

"I'm a Cajun" designation; fees; expiration and renewal; exceptions;

promulgation of rules; promotion of use; persons less than twenty-

one years of age; the Protect and Save our Children Program;

Selective Service Registration

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1           O.(1) The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor  
2           vehicles, hereinafter in this Subsection referred to as "department", shall  
3           provide for the option of the issuance of special identification cards that are  
4           compliant with the standards of the REAL ID Act of 2005, P. L. 109-13, and  
5           federal rules adopted pursuant thereto as of January 1, 2016, hereinafter  
6           collectively referred to as REAL ID, for official purposes, in the manner set  
7           forth in this Subsection.

8           (2) Any person applying for a special identification card pursuant to the  
9           provisions of this Section may elect to apply for a special identification card that  
10          complies with the standards of REAL ID. If that person is eligible for a special  
11          identification card to be issued pursuant to the provisions of this Section and  
12          meets all requirements of the United States Department of Homeland Security  
13          for a REAL ID compliant credential, that person shall be issued a special  
14          identification card which bears a United States Department of Homeland  
15          Security approved security marking reflecting that such credential meets REAL  
16          ID standards. A person who is issued a REAL ID compliant special  
17          identification card shall not be issued a REAL ID compliant driver's license.

18          (3) If a person applying for a special identification card pursuant to the  
19          provisions of this Section does not elect to apply for a license that complies with  
20          REAL ID standards and that person is otherwise eligible to be issued a special  
21          identification card pursuant to the provisions of this Section, that person shall  
22          be issued a special identification card which indicates the special identification  
23          card is not in compliance with REAL ID. If the person has elected not to apply  
24          for a REAL ID compliant special identification card, the department shall not  
25          require the applicant to comply with any of the REAL ID requirements, other  
26          than those required by this Paragraph, which were not required by the state as  
27          of January 1, 2016. If the person has elected not to apply for a REAL ID  
28          compliant driver's license, the department shall not scan or maintain a copy of  
29          the applicant's documents proving his identity. This includes but is not limited

1 to the applicant's birth certificate, social security card, or United States issued  
2 passport.

3 (4)(a) Each applicant for a special identification card shall be informed  
4 that he is not required by law to be issued a REAL ID special identification card  
5 and may be issued a special identification card which is not REAL ID  
6 compliant. The applicant shall be required to indicate on the special  
7 identification card application whether he is applying for a REAL ID compliant  
8 special identification card or a special identification card that is not REAL ID  
9 compliant.

10 (b) The office of motor vehicles shall post a sign in each location that  
11 provides a complete description of the REAL ID compliant special identification  
12 card, including but not limited to an explanation of what the special  
13 identification card does, what information is collected and maintained, who has  
14 access to the data collected, how the data collected will be utilized, and that  
15 persons are not required by the state to accept the "gold star" or the REAL ID  
16 compliant special identification card.

17 (5) Compliance with REAL ID referenced in this Subsection shall be  
18 limited to those standards in effect as of January 1, 2016. Any subsequent  
19 changes or additions to federal laws or rules for implementation of REAL ID  
20 shall be implemented by the state if and only if such changes are approved by  
21 the legislature by a favorable vote of a majority of the elected members of each  
22 house.

23 (6) Any eligible person electing to obtain a special identification card  
24 which bears a United States Department of Homeland Security approved  
25 security marking reflecting that such credential meets REAL ID standards  
26 prior to the renewal date of his special identification card may be issued a  
27 duplicate special identification card.

28 (7) Before January 2017, the department shall provide to the Senate and  
29 House committees on transportation, highways and public works a specific and

1           **detailed list of those standards in effect as of January 1, 2016, to which**  
 2           **compliance with REAL ID in Louisiana is limited in this Subsection.**

3           Section 3. Act No. 807 of the 2008 Regular Session of the Legislature and Act No.  
 4           151 of the 2010 Regular Session of the Legislature are hereby repealed in their entirety.

5           Section 4. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
 6           signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
 7           by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
 8           vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
 9           effective on the day following such approval.

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The original instrument was prepared by Sharon F. Lyles. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Nancy Vicknair.

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DIGEST

SB 227 Reengrossed

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Proposed law provides for the option of the issuance of drivers' licenses and special identification cards in the manner set forth in proposed law that are compliant or not compliant with the standards of the REAL ID Act of 2005, P. L. 109-13, and federal rules adopted pursuant thereto as of Jan. 1, 2016.

Proposed law specifies that any person applying for a driver's license or special identification card pursuant to the provisions of present law may elect to apply for a license that complies with the standards of REAL ID.

Proposed law provides that if a person is eligible for a driver's license or special identification card to be issued pursuant to the provisions of present law and meets all requirements of the U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security for a REAL ID compliant credential, that person must be issued a driver's license or special identification card which bears a U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security approved security marking reflecting that such credential meets REAL ID standards.

Proposed law prohibits issuance of a REAL ID compliant special identification card to a person who is issued a REAL ID compliant driver's license.

Proposed law prohibits issuance of a REAL ID compliant driver's license to a person who is issued a REAL ID compliant special identification card.

Proposed law specifies that if a person applying for a driver's license or special identification card pursuant to the provisions of present law does not elect to apply for a license or special identification card that complies with REAL ID standards and that person is otherwise eligible to be issued a license or special identification card pursuant to the provisions of present law, that person shall be issued a driver's license or special identification card which indicates the license or special identification card is not in compliance with REAL ID.

Proposed law provides that each applicant for a driver's license or special identification card shall be informed that if the person has elected not to apply for a REAL ID compliant driver's license or special identification card, the department shall not require the applicant

to comply with any of the REAL ID requirements which were not required by the state as of Jan. 1, 2016. Provides that the DPSC, OMV, shall not scan or maintain a copy of an applicant's documents proving his identity, including but not limited to a birth certificate, social security card, or United States issued passport, for persons who elect not to apply for a REAL ID compliant driver's license or special identification card.

Proposed law provides that each applicant for a driver's license or special identification card shall be informed that he is not required by law to be issued a REAL ID compliant driver's license and may be issued a driver's license which is not REAL ID compliant. Provides that each applicant shall be required to indicate on his driver's license or special identification card application whether he is applying for a REAL ID compliant driver's license or special identification card or a driver's license or special identification card that is not REAL ID compliant.

Proposed law requires that the OMV post a sign in each location that provides a complete description of the REAL ID compliant driver's license and special identification card, including but not limited to an explanation of what the driver's license and special identification card does, what information is collected and maintained, who has access to the data collected, how the data collected will be utilized, and that persons are not required by the state to accept the "gold star" or the REAL ID compliant driver's license and special identification card.

Proposed law provides that compliance with REAL ID in proposed law is limited to those standards in effect as of Jan. 1, 2016, and that any subsequent changes or additions to federal laws or rules for implementation of REAL ID shall be implemented by the state if and only if such changes are approved by the legislature by a favorable vote of a majority of the elected members of each house.

Proposed law provides that any eligible person electing to obtain a driver's license or special identification card which bears a U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security approved security marking reflecting that such credential meets REAL ID standards prior to the renewal date of his driver's license or special identification card may be issued a duplicate driver's license or special identification card.

Proposed law requires that before January 2017, the OMV provide the Senate and House committees on transportation, highways, and public works a specific and detailed list of those standards in effect as of Jan. 1, 2016, to which compliance with REAL ID in Louisiana by proposed law is limited.

Present law (Act No. 807 of the 2008 R.S.) directs the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, including the office of motor vehicles, not to implement the provisions of the REAL ID Act.

Proposed law repeals present law.

Present law (Act No. 151 of the 2010 R.S.) directs the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, including the office of motor vehicles, not to implement the provisions of the PASS ID Act.

Proposed law repeals present law.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 32:410(E) and R.S. 40:1321(O); repeals Act No. 807 of the 2008 R.S. and Act No. 151 of the 2010 R.S.)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works to the original bill

1. Adds that the DPSC, OMV shall not scan or maintain a copy of an applicant's documents proving his identity, including but not limited to a birth certificate, social security card, or United States issued passport, upon renewal for persons who elect not to apply for a REAL ID compliant driver's license or special identification card.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Deletes "upon renewal" from the department's prohibition to scan or maintain a copy of an applicant's documents proving his identity if a person has elected not to apply for a REAL ID compliant driver's license.