

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 193—ASSEMBLYMEN FLORES; BENITEZ-THOMPSON, GORELOW, MARTINEZ, PETERS, TORRES AND WATTS

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Referred to Committee on Growth and Infrastructure

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing driver authorization cards. (BDR 43-896)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to driver authorization cards; revising provisions governing the administration of driver authorization cards; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to adopt regulations  
2 prescribing the period for which a driver’s license is valid. (NRS 483.380) Those  
3 regulations specify that a driver’s license expires on the eighth anniversary or  
4 fourth anniversary of the birthday of the licensee, depending on certain  
5 circumstances. (NAC 483.043) Under existing law, a driver authorization card  
6 expires on the fourth anniversary of the holder’s birthday. (NRS 483.291) **Section 1**  
7 of this bill removes the fourth anniversary expiration requirement for a driver  
8 authorization card, and **section 2** of this bill requires instead that the regulations  
9 which prescribe the date of expiration of a driver’s license also prescribe the  
10 expiration of a driver authorization card and that they must be valid for the same  
11 period, unless otherwise required by federal law.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 483.291 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2 483.291 1. An application for an instruction permit or for a  
3 driver authorization card must:  
4 (a) Be made upon a form furnished by the Department.



1 (b) Be verified by the applicant before a person authorized to  
2 administer oaths. Officers and employees of the Department may  
3 administer those oaths without charge.

4 (c) Be accompanied by the required fee.

5 (d) State the name, date of birth, sex and residence address of  
6 the applicant and briefly describe the applicant.

7 (e) State whether the applicant has theretofore been licensed as a  
8 driver, and, if so, when and by what state or country, and whether  
9 any such license has ever been suspended or revoked, or whether an  
10 application has ever been refused, and, if so, the date of and reason  
11 for the suspension, revocation or refusal.

12 (f) Include such other information as the Department may  
13 require to determine the competency and eligibility of the applicant.

14 2. Every applicant must furnish proof of his or her name and  
15 age by displaying an original or certified copy of:

16 (a) Any one of the following documents:

17 (1) A birth certificate issued by a state, a political subdivision  
18 of a state, the District of Columbia or any territory of the United  
19 States;

20 (2) A driver's license issued by another state, the District of  
21 Columbia or any territory of the United States which is issued  
22 pursuant to the standards established by 6 C.F.R. Part 37, Subparts  
23 A to E, inclusive, and which contains a security mark approved by  
24 the United States Department of Homeland Security in accordance  
25 with 6 C.F.R. § 37.17;

26 (3) A passport issued by the United States Government;

27 (4) A military identification card or military dependent  
28 identification card issued by any branch of the Armed Forces of the  
29 United States;

30 (5) For persons who served in any branch of the Armed  
31 Forces of the United States, a report of separation;

32 (6) A Certificate of Degree of Indian or Alaska Native Blood  
33 issued by the United States Government;

34 (7) A Certificate of Citizenship, Certificate of Naturalization,  
35 Permanent Resident Card or Temporary Resident Card issued by the  
36 United States Citizenship and Immigration Services of the  
37 Department of Homeland Security;

38 (8) A Consular Report of Birth Abroad issued by the  
39 Department of State;

40 (9) A document issued by the Department pursuant to NRS  
41 483.375 or 483.8605; or

42 (10) Such other documentation as specified by the  
43 Department by regulation; or

44 (b) Any two of the following documents:



1 (1) A driver's license issued by another state, the District of  
2 Columbia or any territory of the United States other than such a  
3 driver's license described in subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a);

4 (2) A passport issued by a foreign government;

5 (3) A birth certificate issued by a foreign government;

6 (4) A consular identification card issued by the Government  
7 of Mexico or a document issued by another government that the  
8 Department determines is substantially similar; or

9 (5) Any other proof acceptable to the Department.

10 ↪ No document which is written in a language other than English  
11 may be accepted by the Department pursuant to this subsection  
12 unless it is accompanied by a verified translation of the document in  
13 the English language.

14 3. Every applicant must prove his or her residence in this State  
15 by displaying an original or certified copy of any two of the  
16 following documents:

17 (a) A receipt from the rent or lease of a residence located in this  
18 State;

19 (b) A record from a public utility for a service address located in  
20 this State which is dated within the previous 60 days;

21 (c) A bank or credit card statement indicating a residential  
22 address located in this State which is dated within the previous 60  
23 days;

24 (d) A stub from an employment check indicating a residential  
25 address located in this State;

26 (e) A document issued by an insurance company or its agent,  
27 including, without limitation, an insurance card, binder or bill,  
28 indicating a residential address located in this State;

29 (f) A record, receipt or bill from a medical provider indicating a  
30 residential address located in this State; or

31 (g) Any other document as prescribed by the Department by  
32 regulation.

33 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, a driver  
34 authorization card or instruction permit obtained in accordance with  
35 this section must:

36 (a) Contain the same information as prescribed for a driver's  
37 license pursuant to NRS 483.340 and any regulations adopted  
38 pursuant thereto;

39 (b) Be of the same design as a driver's license and contain only  
40 the minimum number of changes from that design that are necessary  
41 to comply with subsection 5; and

42 (c) Be numbered from the same sequence of numbers as a  
43 driver's license.



1 5. A driver authorization card or instruction permit obtained in  
2 accordance with this section must comply with the requirements of  
3 section 202(d)(11) of the Real ID Act of 2005, Public Law 109-13,  
4 Division B, Title II, 119 Stat. 302, 312-15, 49 U.S.C. § 30301 note.

5 6. ~~[Notwithstanding the provisions of NRS 483.380, every]~~  
6 *Every* driver authorization card:

7 (a) Expires ~~[on the fourth anniversary of the holder's birthday,~~  
8 ~~measured in the case of initial issuance or renewal from the birthday~~  
9 ~~nearest the date of issuance or renewal.]~~ *as provided in the*  
10 *regulations adopted by the Department pursuant to NRS 483.380.*

11 (b) Is renewable at any time before its expiration upon  
12 application and payment of the required fee. ~~[The Department may,~~  
13 ~~by regulation, defer the expiration of the driver authorization card of~~  
14 ~~a person who is on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United~~  
15 ~~States upon such terms and conditions as it may prescribe. The~~  
16 ~~Department may similarly defer the expiration of the driver~~  
17 ~~authorization card of the spouse or dependent son or daughter of that~~  
18 ~~person if the spouse or child is residing with the person.]~~

19 7. A driver authorization card shall not be used to determine  
20 eligibility for any benefits, licenses or services issued or provided by  
21 this State or its political subdivisions.

22 8. Except as otherwise provided in this section or by specific  
23 statute, any provision of this title that applies to drivers' licenses  
24 shall be deemed to apply to a driver authorization card and an  
25 instruction permit obtained in accordance with this section.

26 **Sec. 2.** NRS 483.380 is hereby amended to read as follows:

27 483.380 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 483.283,  
28 every driver's license *and driver authorization card* expires as  
29 prescribed by regulation.

30 2. The Department shall adopt regulations prescribing when a  
31 driver's license ~~[expires.]~~ *and a driver authorization card expire.*  
32 The Department may, by regulation, defer the expiration of the  
33 driver's license *or driver authorization card* of a person who is on  
34 active duty in the Armed Forces upon such terms and conditions as  
35 it may prescribe. The Department may similarly defer the expiration  
36 of the *driver's* license *or driver authorization card* of the spouse or  
37 dependent son or daughter of that person if the spouse or child is  
38 residing with the person.

39 3. *Except as otherwise required by federal law, the*  
40 *regulations required pursuant to subsection 2 must ensure that the*  
41 *period between the issuance and expiration of a driver*  
42 *authorization card is equal to the period between the issuance and*  
43 *expiration of a driver's license.*



1     **Sec. 3.** As soon as practicable after July 1, 2019, the  
2 Department of Motor Vehicles shall adopt the regulations required  
3 pursuant to NRS 483.380, as amended by section 2 of this act.

4     **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval  
5 for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other  
6 administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of  
7 this act and on April 1, 2020, for all other purposes.

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