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A Bill

SENATE BILL 147

5 By: Senators B. Johnson, B. Sample
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE VALIDITY PERIOD OF A DRIVER'S
10 LICENSE; TO OFFER AN APPLICANT A CHOICE OF VALIDITY
11 PERIODS OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO AMEND THE VALIDITY PERIOD OF A
16 DRIVER'S LICENSE; AND TO OFFER AN
17 APPLICANT A CHOICE OF VALIDITY PERIODS OF
18 A DRIVER'S LICENSE.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-16-801(a)(1), concerning the validity*
25 *period of a Class D or Class M driver's license, is amended to read as*
26 *follows:*

27 *(a)(1)(A) In a manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Motor*
28 *Vehicles, the Office of Driver Services shall issue:*

29 *~~(A)(i)~~ Except as provided in subdivision (a)(1)(B) of this*
30 *section, A a Class D license or a Class M license to each qualified applicant*
31 *eighteen (18) or more years of age, for a period of eight (8) years, upon*
32 *payment of twenty-four dollars (\$24.00);*

33 *~~(B)(ii)~~ An intermediate Class D license or an intermediate*
34 *Class M license to each applicant between sixteen (16) and eighteen (18)*
35 *years of age, for a period of up to two (2) years, upon payment of twelve*
36 *dollars (\$12.00);*



1 ~~(G)(iii)~~ A learner's Class D license to each applicant
2 between fourteen (14) and sixteen (16) years of age, for a period of up to
3 two (2) years, upon payment of twelve dollars (\$12.00); and

4 ~~(D)(iv)~~ A Class MD license to each qualified applicant,
5 for a period of not more than two (2) years, upon payment of two dollars
6 (\$2.00).

7 (B) A Class D license or a Class M license shall be issued
8 for a period to be elected by the applicant of either four (4) years upon
9 payment of twelve dollars (\$12.00) or eight (8) years upon payment of twenty-
10 four dollars (\$24.00) to a qualified applicant who:

11 (i) Is seventy (70) or more years of age; and

12 (ii) Has an expired Class D license or Class M
13 license.

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15 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-16-801(e)(4), concerning renewal and
16 additional issuance fees charged for a Class D or Class M driver's license,
17 is amended to read as follows:

18 (4) All persons who are required to have their eyesight tested prior
19 to initial licensing or upon subsequent license renewal as provided for in
20 this chapter shall be charged an additional fee ~~of two dollars (\$2.00) upon~~
21 ~~issuance of the license,~~ for a license validity period of either:

22 (A) Four (4) years, in the amount of one dollar (\$1.00);

23 or

24 (B) Eight (8) years, in the amount of two dollars (\$2.00).

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26 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 27-16-801(g)(1), concerning renewal and
27 additional issuance fees charged for the issuance or renewal of a Class D,
28 Class M, or Class MD driver's license, is amended to read as follows:

29 (g)(1) In addition to the license fees imposed in subsections (a) and
30 (e) of this section, a fee ~~of twelve dollars (\$12.00)~~ shall be charged for
31 the issuance or renewal of ~~any~~ a Class D, Class M, or Class MD license for a
32 period of either:

33 (A) Four (4) years, in the amount of six dollars (\$6.00);

34 or

35 (B) Eight (8) years, in the amount of twelve dollars
36 (\$12.00).

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SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act is effective on and after November 13, 2017.

/s/B. Johnson