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SENATE BILL 358

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS UNIFORM COMMERCIAL
DRIVER LICENSE ACT TO UPDATE AND COMPLY WITH RECENT
CHANGES TO FEDERAL LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS UNIFORM COMMERCIAL
DRIVER LICENSE ACT TO UPDATE AND COMPLY
WITH RECENT CHANGES TO FEDERAL LAW.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-23-103(3), concerning the definition of
"commerce," is amended to read as follows:

(3) "Commerce" means:

(A) Trade, traffic, ~~and~~ or transportation within the
jurisdiction of the United States between a place in a state and a place
outside of ~~the~~ that state, including a place outside of the United States;
and

(B) Trade, traffic, and transportation in the United
States which affects any trade, traffic, and transportation ~~within the~~
~~jurisdiction of the United States between a place in a state and a place~~
~~outside of the state, including a place outside the United States~~ described
in subdivision (3)(A) of this section;

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-23-103(7), concerning the definition of
"commercial motor vehicle," is amended to read as follows:



(7) "Commercial motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle or combination of motor vehicles used in commerce to transport passengers or property if the motor vehicle is a:

(A) Combination Vehicle (Group A) – having a gross combination weight rating or gross combination weight of 11,794 kilograms or more (26,001 pounds or more), whichever is greater, inclusive of a towed unit or units with a gross vehicle weight rating or gross vehicle weight of more than 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds), whichever is greater;

(B) Heavy Straight Vehicle (Group B) – having a gross vehicle weight rating or gross vehicle weight of 11,794 kilograms or more (26,001 pounds or more), whichever is greater; or

(C) Small Vehicle (Group C) that does not meet Group A or B requirements under subdivision (7)(A) and (B) of this section but that either:

(i) ~~Does not meet Group A or Group B requirements;~~
~~(ii)~~ Is designed to transport sixteen (16) or more passengers, including the driver; or

~~(iii)~~(ii) Is of any size and is used in the transportation of hazardous materials;

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 27-23-110(b), concerning a commercial drivers' license application, is amended to read as follows:

(b) When a licensee changes his or her name ~~or residential address~~, an application for a duplicate license shall be made to the office.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 27-23-114(d)(2), concerning the reporting of convictions to the Office of Driver Services, is amended to read as follows:

(2) Within ~~thirty (30)~~ five (5) days after a person has been found guilty, or pleaded guilty or nolo contendere on a charge of violating any provision of this section, every magistrate of the court or clerk of the court shall prepare and immediately forward to the Office of Driver Services an abstract, which shall be certified as true and correct, of the record of the court covering the case where a person was found guilty, or pleaded guilty or nolo contendere.