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HOUSE BILL 1846

For An Act To Be Entitled
AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF A COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle
TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF A COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-23-110(a)(2), concerning the cost for an application for a commercial driver license, is amended to read as follows:

(2) The application for a commercial driver license shall be accompanied by an application fee of forty-one fifty dollars ($41.00) ($50.00).

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-23-111(e) and (f), concerning the expiration a commercial driver license, is amended to read as follows:

(e)Expiration of License. All driver licenses issued on and after January 1, 1990, shall be issued for a period of four (4) years from the date of issuance. Except as provided in subsection (f) of this section, the Office of Driver Services shall issue a commercial driver license to a qualified applicant for a period of five (5) years from the date of issuance.

(f)(1) Authority to Adjust All Commercial Driver License Expiration Periods. The office, for whatever period of time is necessary, shall have the authority to may promulgate rules and regulations to extend or shorten the term of any a commercial driver license period, as necessary, to ensure
that approximately twenty-five twenty percent (25%) (20%) of the total valid commercial driver licenses are renewable each fiscal year.

(2) All A commercial driver licenses license subject to change for the purpose of this chapter subdivision (f)(1) of this section shall also be subject to adjustment of the commercial driver license renewal fee to ensure the proper commercial driver license fee is assessed as set forth in this chapter and the change shall be carried out in a manner determined by the office.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 27-23-118(a), concerning the distribution of commercial driver license fees, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The fee set out in § 27-23-110(a) shall be deposited as special revenues into the State Treasury and distributed as follows:

(1) Twenty Twenty-five dollars ($20.00) ($25.00) shall be deposited to the credit of the Revenue Division of the Department of Finance and Administration into the Commercial Driver License Fund;

(2) One dollar ($1.00) of the fee shall be distributed in the same manner as set out in § 27-16-801(g); and

(3) The remaining twenty twenty-five dollars ($20.00) ($25.00) of the fee shall be distributed in the same manner as set out in § 27-16-801(d).

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act is effective on and after January 1, 2022.

APPROVED: 4/19/21