

Department of Finance and Administration

Legislative Impact Statement

Bill: SB438

Bill Subtitle: TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE TO A MILITARY LICENSEE.

Basic Change :

Sponsors: Sens. M. Johnson and J. Boyd and Rep. Achor

SB438 permits active duty military personnel and their dependents to obtain an Arkansas driver's license when their license has expired for more than 31 days.

Under current law, the spouse of a member of the military who was living outside of the United States due to a military duty assignment may obtain an Arkansas driver's license even though their out-of-state license has expired for more than 31 days. SB434 expands the list of individuals who may obtain an Arkansas driver's license when their out-of-state or military license has expired for more than 31 days to include:

- An active duty military member; and
- The dependent of an active duty military member.

The applicant must surrender their expired driver's license, present a copy of their unexpired military identification, and pay all applicable fees.

Revenue Impact :

None

Taxpayer Impact :

An active duty military member or his or her dependents may present a driver's license issued to the person by another state or by a branch of the United States Armed Forces that expired more than 31 days prior to the date presented to receive an Arkansas driver's license without having to retest all phases of the driver's license exam.

Resources Required :

The Arkansas Integrated Revenue System (AIRS) will need to be modified. A project cost of \$6,000 with an ongoing yearly maintenance cost of \$1,000.

Time Required :

Adequate time has been provided for implementation.

Procedural Changes :

The Office of Driver Services would have to update the issuance process for an active duty military member, the spouse of an active duty military member, or the dependent of an active duty military member that presents an expired driver's license. Training materials would need to be created for Driver Services, State Revenue Offices, and Arkansas State Police examiners.

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Other Comments :

None.

Legal Analysis :

None.