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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1359

5 By: Representative Johnson
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE TIME PERIOD OF DRIVER'S LICENSE
10 VALIDITY AND CERTAIN ISSUANCE FEES; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO AMEND THE TIME PERIOD OF DRIVER'S
16 LICENSE VALIDITY AND CERTAIN ISSUANCE
17 FEES.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 27-16-801(a)(1)(A), concerning the period of
23 validity and fee for issuance of a Class D and Class M driver's license, is
24 amended to read as follows:

25 (A) The Office of Motor Vehicle shall issue a Class D
26 license or a Class M license to each qualified applicant for a period of ~~four~~
27 ~~(4)~~ eight (8) years upon payment of ~~twelve dollars (\$12.00)~~ twenty-four
28 dollars (\$24.00);
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30 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 27-16-801(e), concerning renewal and
31 additional issuance fees for a driver's license, is amended to read as
32 follows:

33 (e)(1) The office shall not charge an additional fee for the color
34 photograph provided for in subsection (b) of this section for those
35 applicants making a renewal application for the first time.

36 (2) In addition to the regular license fee, a fee of ~~one dollar~~



1 ~~(\$1.00)~~ two dollars (\$2.00) shall be charged for all subsequent renewals.

2 (3) All persons applying for an Arkansas license for the first
3 time and all persons who are required to take the driver's written
4 examination as provided for in this chapter shall be charged the additional
5 fee of one dollar (\$1.00).

6 (4) All persons who are required to have their eyesight tested
7 prior to initial licensing or upon subsequent license renewal as provided for
8 in this chapter shall be charged an additional fee of ~~one dollar (\$1.00)~~ two
9 dollars (\$2.00) upon issuance of the license.

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11 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 27-16-801(h)(1), concerning the fee charged
12 for issuance or renewal of Class D, Class M, or Class MD driver's licenses,
13 is amended to read as follows:

14 (h)(1) In addition to the license fees imposed in subsections (a) and
15 (e) of this section, a fee of ~~six dollars (\$6.00)~~ twelve dollars (\$12.00)
16 shall be charged for the issuance or renewal of any Class D, Class M, or
17 Class MD license.

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19 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code 27-16-901(a)(1), concerning the expiration
20 and renewal of driver's licenses, is amended to read as follows:

21 (a)(1)(A) Except for the intermediate driver's license and the
22 learner's license, every driver's license shall expire at the end of the
23 month in which it was issued ~~four (4)~~ eight (8) years from its date of
24 initial issuance unless the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall provide, by
25 regulation, for some other staggered basis of expiration.

26 (B) A learner's license shall be issued for no more than a
27 two-year period and shall expire upon the driver's reaching sixteen (16)
28 years of age. Any person sixteen (16) years of age may apply for an
29 intermediate driver's license, provided that his or her driving record is
30 free of a serious accident and conviction of a serious traffic violation for
31 the most recent six-month period.

32 (C) An intermediate driver's license shall be issued for
33 no more than a two-year period and shall expire upon the driver reaching
34 eighteen (18) years of age and may be renewed at that time as a regular
35 driver's license for ~~four (4)~~ eight (8) years, so long as the intermediate
36 driver has been free of a serious accident and conviction of a serious

1 traffic violation for at least twelve (12) months before arriving at his or
2 her eighteenth birthday.

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4 SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act is effective on and after January
5 1, 2016.

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