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**STATUS INFORMATION**

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Last Amended on June 5, 2014

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Governor's Action: June 9, 2014, Signed

Summary: Driver's license

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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2/5/2014 Senate Introduced and read first time ([Senate Journal‑page 20](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\02-05-14.docx))

2/5/2014 Senate Referred to Committee on **Transportation** ([Senate Journal‑page 20](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\02-05-14.docx))

3/6/2014 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment **Transportation** ([Senate Journal‑page 7](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\03-06-14.docx))

3/11/2014 Senate Committee Amendment Adopted ([Senate Journal‑page 35](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\03-11-14.docx))

3/11/2014 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 35](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\03-11-14.docx))

3/11/2014 Senate Roll call Ayes‑40 Nays‑0 ([Senate Journal‑page 35](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\03-11-14.docx))

3/12/2014 Senate Read third time and sent to House ([Senate Journal‑page 25](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\03-12-14.docx))

3/18/2014 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 8](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\03-18-14.docx))

3/18/2014 House Referred to Committee on **Education and Public Works** ([House Journal‑page 8](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\03-18-14.docx))

5/22/2014 House Recalled from Committee on **Education and Public Works** ([House Journal‑page 23](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-22-14.docx))

5/28/2014 House Amended

5/28/2014 House Read second time

5/28/2014 House Roll call Yeas‑100 Nays‑0

5/29/2014 House Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments ([House Journal‑page 23](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-29-14.docx))

5/29/2014 Senate Non‑concurrence in House amendment ([Senate Journal‑page 115](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\05-29-14.docx))

6/3/2014 House House insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Reps. Owens, Willis, RL Brown ([House Journal‑page 7](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\06-03-14.docx))

6/3/2014 Senate Conference committee appointed Alexander, Grooms, Pinckney ([Senate Journal‑page 20](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\06-03-14.docx))

6/4/2014 Senate Conference report adopted ([Senate Journal‑page 78](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\06-04-14.docx))

6/4/2014 Senate Roll call Ayes‑42 Nays‑0 ([Senate Journal‑page 78](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\06-04-14.docx))

6/5/2014 House Conference report received and adopted ([House Journal‑page 92](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\06-05-14.docx))

6/5/2014 House Roll call Yeas‑99 Nays‑0 ([House Journal‑page 93](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\06-05-14.docx))

6/5/2014 Senate Ordered enrolled for ratification ([Senate Journal‑page 32](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\06-05-14.docx))

6/9/2014 Ratified R 315

6/9/2014 Signed By Governor

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(A285, R315, S999)

**AN ACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 56‑1‑218 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES OR CERTAIN CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PERFORMING DUTY OUTSIDE OF THE STATE WHOSE DRIVER’S LICENSE EXPIRES WHILE SERVING OUTSIDE OF THIS STATE OR WHOSE LICENSE EXPIRES WITHIN NINETY DAYS FROM THE BEGINNING OF SERVICE OUTSIDE OF THIS STATE MAY APPLY FOR AN EXTENSION UPON THE EXPIRATION OF THE DRIVER’S LICENSE THAT LASTS UNTIL NINETY DAYS AFTER THE MEMBER RETURNS TO THE STATE OR THE TIME THE MEMBER IS DISCHARGED FROM THE ARMED FORCES, TO PROVIDE THE APPLICATION PROCESS, AND TO SPECIFY TO WHOM EXTENSION ELIGIBILITY APPLIES.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

**Driver**’**s license extensions**

SECTION 1. Article 1, Chapter 1, Title 56 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 56‑1‑218. (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a member of the Armed Forces of the United States, who is deployed or mobilized outside of this State, or receives orders for a permanent change of station outside of this State, or a civilian employee of the Department of Defense performing temporary duty outside of the State in support of the armed forces, whose license expires while serving outside of this State or whose license expires within ninety days from the beginning of service outside of this State, may apply for an extension on the expiration of the license.

(B) The department must grant the extension if the service member, or a civilian employee of the Department of Defense, provides copies of the orders that require service outside of this State and a valid military identification card, or in the case of a civilian employee, the civilian employee’s Department of Defense issued identification card, or military orders supporting services outside of the State. The extension shall expire ninety days after the member is discharged from the service or returns to this State. If the orders do not specify a return date, the service member is deemed to have returned on the date that the commanding officer of the unit provides as the return date to the department. The license is deemed to expire only upon the expiration of the extension.

(C) The provisions of this section also apply to dependents residing with the service member.

(D) The department may prescribe forms and policies to implement the provisions of this section. The department must post the application form on its website, and the application must be able to be processed by mail or electronically.”

**Time effective**

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Ratified the 9th day of June, 2014.

Approved the 9th day of June, 2014.

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