

ELECTRONIC DRIVER LICENSE AMENDMENTS

2016 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Craig Hall

Senate Sponsor: Alvin B. Jackson

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill requires a study related to electronic driver licenses.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ requires the Driver License Division and Department of Technology Services to conduct a study and report findings and recommendations regarding electronic driver licenses; and
- ▶ provides an automatic repeal date.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

This bill provides a repeal date.

Uncodified Material Affected:

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. **Electronic driver license study.**

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Application" means a program downloaded onto and used in conjunction with a mobile electronic communication device and available through multiple software platforms.

(b) "Electronic driver license" means a virtual form of driver license accessed through

30 an application on a mobile electronic communication device.

31 (c) "Mobile electronic communication device" means any mobile device capable of
32 communication or other transmission of information, including:

33 (i) a cellular phone;

34 (ii) a wireless tablet; or

35 (iii) another mobile device with Internet or wireless communication capability.

36 (2) The Department of Public Safety, in consultation with the Department of
37 Technology Services, shall study, prepare a report, and make recommendations concerning the
38 feasibility of implementing an electronic driver license program in Utah. The study shall
39 include:

40 (a) the costs and resources required by the state;

41 (b) the appropriate fee to be charged, if any, for an electronic driver license to be
42 issued;

43 (c) advantages and disadvantages;

44 (d) privacy and security issues;

45 (e) compliance with national standards;

46 (f) use by law enforcement and other government entities;

47 (g) possible concerns regarding acceptance and use by private entities;

48 (h) an assessment of the means of issuing an electronic driver license through a mobile
49 application, including:

50 (i) the costs, advantages, and disadvantages of the Department of Technology Services
51 developing an application and maintaining the technology; and

52 (ii) the costs, advantages, and disadvantages of contracting with a private entity to
53 develop an application and maintaining the technology;

54 (i) an evaluation of other states' implementation of an electronic driver license
55 program; and

56 (j) a recommended date by which Utah can implement an electronic driver license
57 program within the state.

58 (3) The Driver License Division and Department of Technology Services shall provide
59 a written report and present the findings of the report, including recommendations, to the
60 Transportation Interim Committee before September 1, 2016.

61 Section 2. **Repeal date.**

62 This bill is repealed on November 30, 2016.