

**DRIVER LICENSE AMENDMENTS**

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STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Stephen G. Handy**

Senate Sponsor: Jerry W. Stevenson

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**LONG TITLE**

**Committee Note:**

The Transportation Interim Committee recommended this bill.

**General Description:**

This bill modifies Title 53, Chapter 3, Uniform Driver License Act, by amending provisions relating to driver licenses.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ provides that a person who is 17 years of age or younger is eligible for a driver license certificate if the person has held an equivalent learner permit issued by another state or branch of the United States Armed Forces for six months; and

- ▶ makes technical corrections.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**53-3-204**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapters 176 and 335

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



28 Section 1. Section 53-3-204 is amended to read:

29 **53-3-204. Persons who may not be licensed.**

30 (1) (a) The division may not license a person who:

31 (i) is younger than 16 years of age;

32 (ii) if the person is 18 years of age or younger, has not completed a course in driver  
33 training approved by the commissioner;

34 (iii) if the person is 19 years of age or older has not completed:

35 (A) a course in driver training approved by the commissioner; or

36 (B) the requirements under Subsection 53-3-210.5(6)(c);

37 (iv) if the person is a minor as defined in Section 53-3-211, has not completed the  
38 driving requirement under Section 53-3-211;

39 (v) is not a resident of the state, unless the person is issued a temporary CDL under  
40 Subsection 53-3-407(2)(b); or

41 (vi) if the person is 17 years of age or younger, has not held a learner permit issued  
42 under Section 53-3-210.5 or an equivalent by another state or branch of the United States  
43 Armed Forces for six months.

44 (b) Subsections (1)(a)(i), (ii), (iii), ~~[and]~~ (iv), and (vi) do not apply to a person:

45 (i) who has been licensed before July 1, 1967; or

46 (ii) who is 16 years of age or older making application for a license who has been  
47 licensed in another state or country.

48 (2) The division may not issue a license certificate to a person:

49 (a) whose license has been suspended, denied, cancelled, or disqualified during the  
50 period of suspension, denial, cancellation, or disqualification;

51 (b) whose privilege has been revoked, except as provided in Section 53-3-225;

52 (c) who has previously been adjudged mentally incompetent and who has not at the  
53 time of application been restored to competency as provided by law;

54 (d) who is required by this chapter to take an examination unless the person  
55 successfully passes the examination;

56 (e) whose driving privileges have been denied or suspended under:

57 (i) Section 78A-6-606 by an order of the juvenile court; or

58 (ii) Section 53-3-231; or

59 (f) beginning on or after July 1, 2012, who holds an unexpired Utah identification card  
60 issued under Part 8, Identification [~~Cards~~] Card Act, unless:

61 (i) the Utah identification card is canceled; and

62 (ii) if the Utah identification card is in the person's possession, the Utah identification  
63 card is surrendered to the division.

64 (3) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (3)(c), the division may not grant a motorcycle  
65 endorsement to a person who:

66 (i) has not been granted an original or provisional class D license, a CDL, or an  
67 out-of-state equivalent to an original or provisional class D license or a CDL; and

68 (ii) if the person is under 19 years of age, has not held a motorcycle learner permit for  
69 two months unless Subsection (3)(b) applies.

70 (b) The division may waive the two month motorcycle learner permit holding period  
71 requirement under Subsection (3)(a)(ii) if the person proves to the satisfaction of the division  
72 that the person has completed a motorcycle rider education program that meets the  
73 requirements under Section [53-3-903](#).

74 (c) The division may grant a motorcycle endorsement to a person under 19 years of age  
75 who has not held a motorcycle learner permit for two months if the person was issued a  
76 motorcycle endorsement prior to July 1, 2008.

77 (4) The division may grant a class D license to a person whose commercial license is  
78 disqualified under Part 4, Uniform Commercial Driver License Act, if the person is not  
79 otherwise sanctioned under this chapter.

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**Legislative Review Note**

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