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SYNOPSIS:

Under existing law, certain Alabama licenses may not be issued to a foreign national for a period of less than 160 days.

This bill would reduce the minimum time period for which these licenses may be issued to a foreign national.

This bill would also make nonsubstantive, technical revisions to update the existing code language to current style.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to driver licenses; to amend Section 32-6-10.1, Code of Alabama 1975, to reduce the minimum time period certain Alabama licenses may be issued to a foreign national; and to make nonsubstantive, technical revisions to update the existing code language to current style.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 36-6-10.1, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§32-6-10.1



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29 (a) For the purposes of this section, the following
30 terms have the following meanings:~~term "foreign national"~~
31 ~~shall mean a person~~

32 (1) FOREIGN NATIONAL. An individual who is not a
33 citizen of the United States.

34 (2) LICENSE. An Alabama driver license, non-driver
35 identification card, or vessel license.

36 (b) The application for~~an Alabama driver's~~
37 ~~license/non-driver identification card/vessel~~ a license to be
38 issued to a foreign national shall contain, in addition to the
39 information on the established application, the applicant's
40 country of origin and the expiration date of the acceptable
41 form of immigration documentation as outlined in this section.

42 (c) Applications for a foreign national~~Alabama~~
43 ~~driver's license/non-driver identification card/vessel~~ license
44 shall be processed only at~~driver's~~ driver license offices
45 designated by the Director of the Alabama Department of Public
46 Safety.

47 (d) The~~driver's license/non-driver identification~~
48 ~~card/vessel~~ license issued to a foreign national shall include
49 a designation that the license is issued to a foreign national
50 in a manner set forth by the Director of the Department of
51 Public Safety on the license. The designation shall
52 distinguish between foreign nationals with lawful permanent
53 residence in the United States and foreign nationals whose
54 authorized period of stay in the United States is temporary.

55 (e) The~~driver's license/non-driver identification~~
56 ~~card/vessel~~ license issued to a foreign national shall expire



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57 on the date of the expiration of the acceptable form of
58 immigration documentation provided at the time of application.

59 (f) In order for a foreign national to renew ~~the~~
60 ~~driver's license/non-driver identification card/vessel~~ his or
61 her license, the applicant must re-initiate the licensing
62 process in the same manner as a first-time applicant.

63 (g) Under no circumstances shall the department issue a
64 ~~driver's license/non-driver identification card/vessel~~ license
65 for a period of less than ~~160~~ 30 days.

66 (h) The Director of the Department of Public Safety
67 shall ~~establish and promulgate~~ adopt rules ~~and regulations~~
68 concerning the enforcement of this section."

69 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first
70 day of the third month following its passage and approval by
71 the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.