
DIGEST

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Abstract: Replaces the words "sex offender" with tier classifications on the driver's license or identification card of a registered sex offender and removes the one-year period of validity.

Present law provides a La. driver's license issued to a registered sex offender shall contain a restriction code which declares that the license holder is a sex offender, and present law requires the secretary of the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to comply with the provisions of present law.

Present law (R.S. 32:412(I)) requires that the driver's license of a registered sex offender include the words "sex offender" written in orange.

Present law also requires that a registered sex offender obtain a special identification card that contains a restriction code declaring that the holder is a sex offender.

Present law provides that when the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections issues a driver's license pursuant to present law, the license is only valid for one year from the date of issuance.

Present law (R.S. 40:1321(J)) provides that the identification card shall include the words "sex offender" in all capital letters written in orange and shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance. Present law further provides that the special identification card shall be carried on the person at all times by the individual required to register as a sex offender.

Proposed law retains present law. Proposed law replaces the words "sex offender" with tier classifications on the driver's license and identification card of a registered sex offender.

Proposed law provides that the T1 classification is for persons required to register for 15 years; T2 classification is for persons required to register for 25 years; and T3 classification is for persons required to register for life.

Proposed law specifies that an identification card shall be obtained if the person required to register as a sex offender does not have a driver's license.

Proposed law removes the one-year period of validity for the registered sex offender's identification card and driver's license and proposed law removes any present law provision referencing the one year period of validity.

(Amends R.S. 32:412(I) and 40:1321(J))

