

HOUSE BILL 598

By Williams

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55,
Chapter 50, relative to fees for driver licenses
issued to persons released from incarceration.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 50, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) The department of safety shall waive the required fee for any driver license or identification card issued to, or renewed by, any person who was released from prison or jail and who meets the requirements of this section, except as provided in subsection (e).

(b) Only one (1) fee waiver may be granted for each applicant.

(c) To qualify for the fee waiver, the applicant shall submit documentation from the department of correction verifying that the applicant was released from prison or jail.

(d) Within thirty (30) days from the date an inmate is released from prison or jail, the department of correction shall provide information to the inmate on the options for retaining or renewing an original driver license or obtaining a duplicate driver license.

(e) This section shall not apply to any person who has been convicted for a violation of § 55-10-401, § 39-13-106, § 39-13-115, § 39-13-213(a)(2), or § 39-13-218.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it.