HOUSE BILL 261

50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2012

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AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSES; PROVIDING FOR LIMITED

RETESTING WITHIN A SIX-MONTH PERIOD FOR THE KNOWLEDGE AND

SKILLS TEST.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 66-5-60 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1989,

Chapter 14, Section 9, as amended) is amended to read:

"66-5-60. COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE--QUALIFICATIONS--

STANDARDS.--

A. The division shall not issue a commercial

driver's license to a person unless that person can establish

that New Mexico is the person's state of domicile and has

passed a knowledge and skills test for driving a commercial

motor vehicle and, for related endorsements, has passed a

medical fitness test and has satisfied any other requirements

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1   of the New Mexico Commercial Driver's License Act.

2   B.   The division may authorize a person, including

3   an agency of this or another state, an employer, a private

4   driver-training facility or other private institution or a

5   department, agency or instrumentality of local government to

6   administer the skills test specified by this section.

7   C.   A commercial driver's license applicant shall

8   [not] take a knowledge and skills test specified in this

9   section [more than three times within one year]. An applicant

10   that does not pass the test may repeat the test as often as the

11   applicant chooses; provided that if the applicant's score is

12   fifty percent or less of the score required to pass the test,

13   the applicant shall not repeat the test for at least twenty-

14   four hours.

15   D.   If the department determines that a commercial

16   driver's license applicant has committed an offense in taking a

17   test specified in this section, the division shall not issue a

18   commercial driver's license to that applicant within one year

19   of the department's determination."

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