

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25

HOUSE BILL 171

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

INTRODUCED BY

Bill B. O'Neill

AN ACT

RELATING TO DRIVER'S LICENSES; PROVIDING FOR A SYSTEM OF
ISSUING CERTAIN DRIVER'S LICENSES TO CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WHO
ARE IN THE COUNTRY LAWFULLY.

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

SECTION 1. Section 66-5-15 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978,
Chapter 35, Section 237, as amended) is amended to read:

"66-5-15. LICENSES ISSUED TO APPLICANTS.--

A. The department shall, upon payment of the
required fee, issue to every qualified applicant a driver's
license as applied for. [~~The license~~] All licenses shall bear
the full legal name, date of birth, sex, current New Mexico
physical or mailing address, a full face or front-view
photograph of the license holder and a brief description of the
licensee and the signature of the licensee. A license shall

.188519.2

underscored material = new
[bracketed material] = delete

underscoring material = new
~~[bracketed material] = delete~~

1 not be valid unless it bears the signature of the licensee.

2 B. On or after January 15, 2013, a driver's license
3 issued to a licensee that meets federal requirements to be
4 acceptable by federal agencies for official federal purposes
5 shall contain a unique design that distinguishes the driver's
6 license as being acceptable by federal agencies for official
7 federal purposes from a driver's license that is not acceptable
8 by federal agencies for official federal purposes.

9 C. On or after January 15, 2013, a driver's license
10 that is not acceptable by federal agencies for official federal
11 purposes shall state that the driver's license is not
12 acceptable by federal agencies for official federal purposes.
13 The information shall be stated in the same manner as
14 restrictions are set forth upon the usual license form and in
15 the machine readable zone. The department shall establish by
16 rule the restriction code of "J" for the restriction of "not
17 for official federal purposes" in order to implement the
18 provisions of this subsection."