

Senate Substitute for HOUSE BILL No. 2693

AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to driver's licenses; commercial vehicles, skills test; examiners; amending K.S.A. 74-2015 and K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 8-2,133 and repealing the existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 8-2,133 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-2,133. (a) Except as provided in K.S.A. 8-2,146, and amendments thereto, or as provided in K.S.A. 8-2,148, and amendments thereto, no person may be issued a commercial driver's license unless that person is a resident of this state and has passed a knowledge and skills test for driving a commercial motor vehicle which complies with minimum federal standards established by 49 C.F.R. § 383, subparts E, G and H and has satisfied all other requirements of the commercial motor vehicle safety act in addition to other requirements imposed by state law or federal regulation. The tests shall be prescribed and conducted by the secretary, except that the secretary may accept the results of a person's knowledge test conducted in another state if such test complies with minimum federal standards. *The secretary shall accept results of a person's skills test given in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c).*

(b) The secretary may authorize a person, including an agency of this or another state, an employer, a private driver training facility or other private institution, or a department, agency or instrumentality of local government, to administer the skills test specified by this section, if:

(1) The test is the same which would otherwise be administered by the state; and

(2) the third party has entered into an agreement with the state which complies with requirements of 49 C.F.R. § 383.75.

(c) *The secretary shall authorize any community college or technical college, upon such community college's or technical college's request, to administer the skills test required by subsection (a). The secretary shall grant priority status to requests by any community college or technical college with a truck driver training course in place as of July 1, 2014. The secretary shall authorize such testing which complies with the requirements of 49 C.F.R. Part 383 in an agreement between the requesting community college or technical college and the state. The secretary shall adopt rules and regulations to implement the testing procedure provided for in this subsection before January 1, 2015.*

(d) A commercial driver's license or commercial driver's instruction permit may not be issued to a person while the person is subject to a disqualification from driving a commercial motor vehicle, or while the person's driver's license is suspended, revoked or canceled in any state; nor shall a commercial driver's license be issued to a person who has a commercial driver's license issued by any other state unless the person first surrenders all such licenses, which must be returned to the issuing state for cancellation.

~~(d)~~(e) The director may authorize the skills test required by subsection (a) to be waived for an applicant that provides evidence of military commercial vehicle driving experience. To qualify for such a waiver, the applicant must satisfy the criteria established by 49 C.F.R. § 383.77.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 74-2015 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-2015. Within the division of vehicles, there shall be a supervisor of driver's license examiners and such driver's license examiners as may be needed. Said supervisor and all such driver's license examiners shall be within the classified service under the Kansas civil service act. *Any person employed by a third party who has entered into a contract with the department of revenue pursuant to K.S.A. 8-129, and amendments thereto, to provide services of a driver's license examiner shall not be required to be within the classified service under the Kansas civil service act.* Such driver's license examiners shall make and conduct all examinations of applicants for operator's and chauffeur's licenses required by law, and shall exercise and enforce the licensing provisions of the operator's and chauffeur's licensing act, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by law or by the director of vehicles. All such driver's license examiners are hereby vested with the power and authority of peace and police officers in the execution of the duties imposed upon them by this act and by the director of vehicles. The director of vehicles shall determine what, if any, vehicles, equipment and supplies, and insignia of office are needed by driver's license examiners. The property so determined to be needed shall be furnished without expense to such examiners. All property so

furnished shall remain the property of the state and be strictly accounted for by each driver's license examiner. The secretary of revenue may adopt rules and regulations for the conduct and duties of driver's license examiners.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 74-2015 and K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 8-2,133 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the HOUSE, and was adopted by that body

HOUSE adopted
Conference Committee Report _____

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

Passed the SENATE
as amended _____

SENATE adopted
Conference Committee Report _____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

APPROVED _____

Governor.