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An Act To Limit the Duration of a Legal Alien's Driver's License

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Presented by Representative CEBRA of Naples.
Cosponsored by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin and
Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, HANLEY of Gardiner, LANSLEY of Sabattus,
LEWIN of Eliot, ROBINSON of Raymond, SYKES of Harrison, Senators: COURTNEY of
York, HASTINGS of Oxford.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1301, sub-§3-A** is enacted to read:

3 **3-A. Proof of citizenship.** An applicant for a license or nondriver identification card
4 must provide proof of citizenship or documentation of legal residency inside the United
5 States.

6 **Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1406, sub-§1,** as repealed and replaced by PL 2003, c. 434,
7 §22 and affected by §37, is amended to read:

8 **1. Expiration of license; persons under 65 years of age.** The Except as provided
9 in subsection 2-A, the following provisions apply to the expiration of a license for
10 persons under 65 years of age.

11 A. A noncommercial license to operate a motor vehicle issued to a person under 65
12 years of age expires at midnight on the license holder's 6th birthday following the
13 date of issuance.

14 B. A commercial driver's license to operate a motor vehicle issued to a person
15 under 65 years of age expires at midnight on the license holder's 5th birthday
16 following the date of issuance.

17 **Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §1406, sub-§2,** as repealed and replaced by PL 2003, c. 434,
18 §22 and affected by §37, is amended to read:

19 **2. Expiration of license; persons 65 years of age and over.** A Except as provided
20 in subsection 2-A, a license to operate a motor vehicle issued to a person 65 years of age
21 or older at the date of issuance expires at midnight on the license holder's 4th birthday
22 following the date of issuance.

23 **Sec. 4. 29-A MRSA §1406, sub-§2-A** is enacted to read:

24 **2-A. Expiration of license; legal aliens.** A license to operate a motor vehicle issued
25 to a person residing in this country under a visa granted by the authority of the United
26 States who is not a citizen of the United States expires in accordance with subsection 1 or
27 2 or upon expiration of the visa, whichever comes first.

28 **Sec. 5. 29-A MRSA §1410, sub-§4,** as enacted by PL 1997, c. 437, §40, is
29 amended to read:

30 **4. Expiration.** Each nondriver identification card issued pursuant to this section
31 expires 6 years from the date of issuance, except that a nondriver identification card
32 issued to a person residing in this country under a visa granted by the authority of the
33 United States who is not a citizen of the United States expires 6 years from the date of
34 issuance or upon expiration of the visa, whichever comes first.

35 **SUMMARY**

36 The bill requires an applicant for a driver's license or nondriver identification card to
37 provide proof of citizenship or documentation that the applicant is a legal resident in the
38 United States. The bill limits the duration of a legal alien's driver's license or nondriver
39 identification card to the duration of the visa granted to the legal alien by the authority of
40 the United States.