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An Act To Amend the Motor Vehicle Laws Concerning Work Licenses

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1256, sub-§2**, as amended by PL 2001, c. 671, §22, is
3 further amended to read:

4 **2. Employment need.** A person seeking to qualify for a special restricted license
5 based on employment need must file an application. ~~If the applicant qualifies under~~
6 ~~paragraph A, after passing an examination for operation of a motor vehicle as provided in~~
7 ~~section 1301 a special restricted license must be issued to the applicant.~~ The Secretary of
8 State shall adopt major substantive rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A
9 to establish the application process and restrictions for a special restricted license under
10 this subsection.

11 ~~A.—An application must include:~~

12 ~~(1) A signed, notarized statement from the applicant and the applicant's parent or~~
13 ~~guardian that:~~

14 ~~(a) No readily available alternative means of transportation exists; and~~

15 ~~(b) Use of a motor vehicle is necessary for transportation to, from or~~
16 ~~in connection with employment of the applicant; and~~

17 ~~(2) A verification of employment by the employer.~~

18 ~~B.—This license only authorizes the holder to operate a motor vehicle between the~~
19 ~~holder's residence, school and place of employment and other places necessary in~~
20 ~~direct connection with that employment unless accompanied by a licensed driver who~~
21 ~~meets the requirements of section 1304, subsection 1, paragraph E, subparagraphs (1)~~
22 ~~to (4).~~

23 **SUMMARY**

24 This bill transfers the application process and restrictions for a special restricted
25 license based upon employment need from the motor vehicle laws to the discretion of the
26 Secretary of State.