

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 678

In Senate, February 4, 2010

**An Act To Allow the Secretary of State to Issue a State Commercial Driver's License to the Holder of a Military Commercial Driver's License**

(AFTER DEADLINE)

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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 COURTNEY of York.  
Cosponsored by Representative WHEELER of Kittery and  
Senators: DAVIS of Cumberland, GOOLEY of Franklin, PLOWMAN of Penobscot,  
Representative: MAZUREK of Rockland.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1252, sub-§4**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and  
3 affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

4 **4. Examination.** The Secretary of State shall examine an applicant for the class for  
5 which the applicant applies except that the Secretary of State may issue a commercial  
6 driver's license without an examination to an applicant who holds a valid commercial  
7 driver's license issued by the United States Armed Forces. The Secretary of State shall  
8 adopt rules, which are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375,  
9 subchapter 2-A, governing the issuance of a commercial driver's license to an applicant  
10 who holds a valid commercial driver's license issued by the United States Armed Forces.

11 **Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1301, sub-§4**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and  
12 affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

13 **4. Examination.** An applicant must pass a physical examination by actual  
14 demonstration of ability to operate a motor vehicle and a written examination. Failure to  
15 complete the driving test within 18 months of receiving an instruction permit requires  
16 reexamination for the permit. The Secretary of State may issue a commercial driver's  
17 license without a physical or written examination to an applicant who holds a valid  
18 commercial driver's license issued by the United States Armed Forces. The Secretary of  
19 State shall adopt rules, which are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375,  
20 subchapter 2-A, governing the issuance of a commercial driver's license to an applicant  
21 who holds a valid commercial driver's license issued by the United States Armed Forces.

## 22 SUMMARY

23 This bill authorizes the Secretary of State to issue a commercial driver's license  
24 without an examination to an applicant who holds a valid commercial driver's license  
25 issued by the United States Armed Forces. It requires the Secretary of State to adopt  
26 rules governing the issuance of a commercial driver's license to an applicant who holds a  
27 valid commercial driver's license issued by the United States Armed Forces.