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Research Note

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Sponsors

Representative Melton
Senator Cooke

Short Title

*Electronic and Mail Application
for Identification Cards*

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Status

This research note reflects the final version of the bill, which was signed by the Governor on April 12, 2016, and becomes effective August 10, 2016, assuming no petition is filled.

Summary

The bill allows any person who holds a Colorado driver's license that is current or less than one year out-of-date to apply by mail or electronically for an identification card. Upon issuance of the identification card, the driver's license is cancelled.

Background

Under current law, driver's licenses may be renewed online, but an individual must visit a Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) office in person to convert a driver's license to an identification card. On average, the DMV issues 1.5 million driver's licenses per year, and 146,000 identification cards. A recent survey indicated that 125,000 individuals need to convert their driver's licenses to identification cards, but are physically unable to visit a DMV office without the assistance of others. Identification cards are \$11.50 for individuals under 60 years of age, and free for those over 60 years of age.

House Action

House Finance Committee (March 3, 2016). At the hearing, representatives of the Colorado Department of Revenue (DOR) testified in support of the bill. The committee referred the bill to the House Committee of the Whole with no amendments.

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House second reading (March 7, 2016). The House passed the bill on second reading with no amendments.

House third reading (March 8, 2016). The House passed the bill on third reading with no amendments.

Senate Action

Senate Finance Committee (March 22, 2016). At the hearing, a representative of DOR testified in support of the bill. The committee referred the bill to the Senate Committee of the Whole with no amendments and the recommendation that it be placed on the consent calendar.

Senate second reading (March 28, 2016). The Senate passed the bill on second reading with no amendments.

Senate third reading (March 29, 2016). The Senate passed the bill on third reading with no amendments.