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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO. [BILL NUMBER]

Noncitizen driver's license & ID card-revisions.

Sponsored by: Joint Transportation, Highways & Military
Affairs Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; specifying requirements
2 for driver's licenses and identification cards issued to a
3 person who is not a United States citizen but who has
4 lawful alien status as recognized by federal law;
5 specifying applicability; requiring rulemaking; and
6 providing for effective dates.

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8 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 31-7-115(a) by creating a new
11 paragraph (iv) and 31-8-102 by creating a new subsection
12 (b) are amended to read:

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2 **31-7-115. Issuance, description and contents.**

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4 (a) Upon the satisfactory completion of any required
5 examination, the division shall issue to every qualifying
6 applicant a driver's license, and:

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8 (iv) The license issued to a person who is not a
9 United States citizen but who has lawful status as defined
10 by title 6, section 37.3 of the Code of Federal Regulations
11 shall state "Not a United States citizen".

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15 **STAFF COMMENT**

16 **The definition of lawful status as defined by Title 6,**
17 **Section 37.3 of the Code of Federal Regulations is provided**
18 **below for the Committee's reference:**

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20 "A person in lawful status is a citizen or national of the
21 United States; or an alien: lawfully admitted for permanent
22 or temporary residence in the United States; with
23 conditional permanent resident status in the United States;
24 who has an approved application for asylum in the United
25 States or has entered into the United States in refugee
26 status; who has a valid nonimmigrant status in the United
27 States; who has a pending application for asylum in the
28 United States; who has a pending or approved application
29 for temporary protected status (TPS) in the United States;
30 who has approved deferred action status; or who has a
31 pending application for lawful permanent residence (LPR) or
32 conditional permanent resident status. This definition does
33 not affect other definitions or requirements that may be

1 contained in the Immigration and Nationality Act or other
2 laws.".

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6 **31-8-102. Contents.**

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8 (b) Identification cards issued to a person who is not
9 a United States citizen but who has lawful status as
10 defined by title 6, section 37.3 of the Code of Federal
11 Regulations shall state "Not a United States citizen".
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15 **STAFF COMMENT**

16 **The Committee may wish to consider whether to add any of**
17 **the following phrases to the driver's licenses and**
18 **identification cards:**

- 19 • "Not valid for official federal purposes"
 - 20 ○ California, Hawaii, Maryland, New Jersey, New
 - 21 Mexico, New York, and Vermont.
 - 22 ○ Official purpose is defined by Title 6, Section
 - 23 37.3 of the Code of Federal Regulations as
 - 24 "accessing federal facilities, boarding
 - 25 federally-regulated commercial aircraft, and
 - 26 entering nuclear power plants."
- 27 • "Not acceptable for federal identification or voting
- 28 purposes"
 - 29 ○ Connecticut
- 30 • "Not valid for federal identification, voting or
- 31 federal public benefits purposes"
 - 32 ○ Colorado

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34 **The Committee may also wish to consider whether to require**
35 **these driver's licenses and identification cards to be a**

1 distinctive color different from licenses issued to persons
2 who are United States citizens (Maryland).

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6 Section 2. This act shall apply to licenses and
7 identification cards issued on and after July 1, 2025.

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9 Section 3. Not later than July 1, 2025, the department
10 of transportation shall promulgate any rules necessary to
11 implement this act.

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13 Section 4.

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15 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this
16 section, this act is effective July 1, 2025.

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18 (b) Sections 3 and 4 of this act are effective
19 immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a
20 bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of
21 the Wyoming Constitution.

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23 (END)