

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 445

Introduced by Assembly Member Alejo

February 23, 2015

An act to amend Section 12815 of the Vehicle Code, relating to driver's licenses.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 445, as introduced, Alejo. Driver's licenses.

Existing law requires that each application for an original or a renewal of a driver's license contain certain information, including the applicant's true full name, age, and gender. Existing law also provides that if a driver's license is lost, destroyed or mutilated, or if a new true full name is acquired, the person to whom the driver's license was issued shall obtain a duplicate if the person provides satisfactory proof of the loss, destruction, or mutilation.

This bill would authorize the department to accept a marriage license issued by a tribal court to verify a new true full name.

This bill would make conforming changes.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 12815 of the Vehicle Code is amended
2 to read:
3 12815. (a) (1) If a driver's license issued under this code is
4 lost, destroyed or mutilated, or a new ~~true, full~~ true full name is
5 acquired, the person to whom it was issued shall obtain a duplicate

1 upon furnishing to the department ~~(1)~~ (A) satisfactory proof of that
2 loss, ~~destruction, or mutilation~~ *destruction or mutilation, or new*
3 *true full name* and ~~(2)~~ (B) if the licensee is a minor, evidence of
4 permission to obtain a duplicate secured from the parents, guardian,
5 or person having custody of the minor. Any person who loses a
6 driver's license and who, after obtaining a duplicate, finds the
7 original license shall immediately destroy the original license.

8 (2) *The department may accept a marriage license issued by a*
9 *tribal court to verify a new true full name.*

10 (b) A person in possession of a valid driver's license who has
11 been informed either by the department or by a law enforcement
12 agency that the document is mutilated shall surrender the license
13 to the department not later than 10 days after that notification.

14 (c) For purposes of this section, a mutilated license is one that
15 has been damaged sufficiently to render any or all of the elements
16 of identity set forth in Sections 12800.5 and 12811 unreadable or
17 unidentifiable through visual, mechanical, or electronic means.