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ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2574

**Introduced by Assembly Member Briggs
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Correa, Dutra, and Robert
Pacheco)**

February 25, 2000

An act to amend Section 1653.5 of, and to add Section 1678 to, the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2574, as amended, Briggs. Vehicles: driver's license: selective service registration.

Existing law requires every applicant for an original or a renewal of, a driver's license to provide appropriate information concerning identification, personal history, health, knowledge of traffic signs and signals, and the type of motor vehicle the applicant desires to operate. Existing federal law, the Military Selective Service Act, requires certain males residing in the United States to register in accordance to rules and regulations adopted in accordance with federal law. Existing law also requires all state agencies to cooperate with the United States Selective Service System

to publicize the necessity of, and the requirements for compliance with the federal act.

This bill would require the Department of Motor Vehicles, for every applicant between 18 and 25 years of age, inclusive, with certain exceptions, for an original or a renewal of, a driver’s license or identification card to provide the applicant, at the time of application, with notification that males 18 to 25 years of age, inclusive, are or will be required to be in compliance with the federal act and that if the applicant is male and is not already registered with the federal Selective Service System, the applicant may register with the service by checking an appropriate box on the application. The bill would also require the department, if federal financial support is provided, and in cooperation with the federal selective service system, to develop the notification form and applicable implementation procedures. *The bill would make a related statement of legislative intent.*

The bill would make other, conforming changes in existing law.

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. (a) *It is the intent of the Legislature in*
2 *enacting this act to protect Californians from the*
3 *penalties associated with the failure to register with the*
4 *federal Selective Service System and to help ensure that*
5 *any future draft is fair and equitable to all potential*
6 *draftees.*

7 (b) *The Legislature finds and declares that the*
8 *penalties associated with noncompliance of the Military*
9 *Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. Sec. 451 and following)*
10 *are severe, including, but not limited to, a felony*
11 *conviction, forfeiture of the ability to seek state*
12 *employment from certain state agencies and*
13 *departments, and a fine of up to two hundred fifty*
14 *thousand dollars (\$250,000). In addition, failure to*
15 *register may permanently preclude the violator from*
16 *acquiring many federal benefits, such as federal*



1 *employment, including, but not limited to, employment*
2 *with the United States Postal Service, federal and state*
3 *student financial assistance, participation in federally*
4 *funded job training programs, and eligibility for United*
5 *States citizenship for immigrants seeking citizenship.*

6 *(c) Therefore, in recognition of the severe*
7 *consequences of noncompliance with the federal act and*
8 *the importance of helping to ensure that any future draft*
9 *is fair and equitable, it is the intent of the Legislature to*
10 *notify Californians of their responsibility to register with*
11 *the federal Selective Service System and to provide them*
12 *with the opportunity to register concurrent with*
13 *applying for a driver's license or identification card.*

14 *SEC. 2. Section 1653.5 of the Vehicle Code is amended*
15 *to read:*

16 1653.5. (a) Every form prescribed by the
17 department for use by an applicant for the issuance or
18 renewal by the department of a driver's license or
19 identification card pursuant to Division 6 (commencing
20 with Section 12500) shall contain a section for the
21 applicant's social security account number.

22 (b) Every form prescribed by the department for use
23 by an applicant for the issuance, renewal, or transfer of
24 the registration or certificate of title to a vehicle shall
25 contain a section for the applicant's driver's license or
26 identification card number.

27 (c) Any person who submits to the department a form
28 that, pursuant to subdivision (a), contains a section for the
29 applicant's social security account number, or pursuant to
30 subdivision (b), the applicant's driver's license or
31 identification card number, if any, shall furnish the
32 appropriate number in the space provided.

33 (d) The department shall not complete any
34 application that does not include the applicant's social
35 security account number or driver's license or
36 identification card number as required by subdivision
37 (c).

38 (e) An applicant's social security account number shall
39 not be included by the department on any driver's



1 license, identification card, registration, certificate of
2 title, or any other document issued by the department.

3 (f) Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
4 information regarding an applicant's social security
5 account number, obtained by the department pursuant
6 to this section, is not a public record and shall not be
7 disclosed by the department except for any of the
8 following purposes:

9 (1) Responding to a request for information from an
10 agency operating pursuant to, and carrying out the
11 provisions of, Part A (Aid to Families with Dependent
12 Children), or Part D (Child Support and Establishment
13 of Paternity), of Subchapter IV of Chapter 7 of Title 42 of
14 the United States Code.

15 (2) Implementation of Section 12419.10 of the
16 Government Code.

17 (3) Responding to information requests from the
18 Franchise Tax Board for the purpose of tax
19 administration.

20 (4) Registration with the federal Selective Service
21 System in compliance with the Military Selective Service
22 Act (50 U.S.C. Sec. 451 and following).

23 ~~SEC. 2.~~

24 *SEC. 3.* Section 1678 is added to the Vehicle Code, to
25 read:

26 1678. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of
27 law, for every applicant for an original or a renewal of a
28 driver's license or identification card who is 18 to 25 years
29 of age, inclusive, the department shall provide the
30 applicant, at the time of application, with notification of
31 both of the following:

32 (1) That males 18 to 25 years of age, inclusive, are or
33 will be required to be in compliance with the federal
34 Military Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. Sec. 451 and
35 following).

36 (2) That if the applicant is male and is not already
37 registered with the federal Selective Service System, the
38 applicant may register with the service by checking an
39 appropriate box on the application.



1 (b) If federal financial support is provided, the
2 department, in cooperation with the federal Selective
3 Service System, shall develop forms and procedures for
4 the implementation of subdivision (a).

5 (c) Subdivision (a) is not applicable to a person who
6 is exempt from the Military Selective Service Act for any
7 reason.

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