

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2574

Introduced by Assembly Member Briggs

February 25, 2000

An act to add Section 12802.6 to the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2574, as introduced, 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 to require a male applicant between 18 and 26 years of age, inclusive, with certain exceptions, for an original or a renewal of, a driver's license to sign a certificate of compliance that he has complied with the provisions of the federal act as a prerequisite to obtaining a driver's license. The bill would also

require the department to develop the certificate of compliance and applicable implement procedures.

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 12802.6 is added to the Vehicle
2 Code, to read:

3 12802.6. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of
4 law, the department shall require every applicant for an
5 original or a renewal of, a driver’s license who is male and
6 18 to 26 years of age, inclusive, to sign a statement that he
7 has complied with the federal Military Selective Service
8 Act (50 U.S.C. Sec. 451 and following) prior to the
9 issuance of a driver’s license.

10 (b) The department may not issue an original or
11 renewal of, a driver’s license to any person not satisfying
12 the provisions of subdivision (a).

13 (c) The department shall develop a statement of
14 compliance and a method by which an applicant as set
15 forth in subdivision (a) shall have an opportunity to sign
16 the statement of compliance and for the signed statement
17 of compliance to become part of the applicant’s
18 application for a driver’s license.

19 (d) This section is not applicable to any of the
20 following:

21 (1) A person who is presently in, or has been
22 discharged from, the armed forces of the United States.

23 (2) A person who is neither a citizen of the United
24 States nor a resident alien.

25 (3) Exempt from registering under the Military
26 Selective Service Act.

27 (4) Exempt because the act is otherwise inapplicable
28 to the applicant for any other reason.

29 (e) The burden is upon the applicant to provide proof
30 of qualifying for an exception under the provisions of
31 subdivision (d).

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