

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 286

Approved April 20, 2018

WHEREAS, In March 2018, Representative Shelby Maldonado (D) introduced House Bill 7982 and Senate Majority Leader Michael J. McCaffrey (D) introduced Senate Bill 2678; and

WHEREAS, The legislation seeks to maintain the status quo relating to operator and chauffeur's licenses as well as limited work authorization to approved recipients under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program; and

WHEREAS, The bill would require the Division of Motor Vehicles to issue driver's licenses to every qualifying applicant or past recipient of a grant of deferred action; and

WHEREAS, It would also authorize the director of the Department of Labor and Training to issue special limited work permits; and

WHEREAS, Nearly 800,000 young people who came to the United States as children have come forward, passed background checks, and received permission to live and work in the United States through DACA; and

WHEREAS, Thanks to DACA, these 800,000 young people have advanced their education, started businesses, served our country, and more fully established themselves as integral members of American society; and

WHEREAS, An estimated 1,200 Rhode Islanders are DACA recipients; and

WHEREAS, On September 5th, 2017, President Trump rescinded the executive order establishing DACA, putting all 800,000 Dreamers at risk of deportation and leaving their legal status in limbo with no plan for how to move forward; and

WHEREAS, The Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors Act, commonly known as the DREAM Act, is a bipartisan bill that would codify the DACA program into federal law, avoiding the chaos, confusion, and harm caused by the rescinding of the DACA executive order; and

WHEREAS, Despite talk of re-introducing the DREAM Act, Dreamers continue to be in limbo as Congress has not been able to come to terms on a comprehensive bill; and

WHEREAS, It is unjust to punish individuals for entering the U.S. illegally when they had no choice or say in how they entered the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, It is cruel to deport individuals who have only ever called America "home" to countries many have no memory of, where many have no connections, family, or resources, and where many do not even speak the language; and

WHEREAS, As the elected representatives of the people of Providence, the Providence City Council has a moral obligation to speak out against unjust policies and to support measures that would ameliorate those injustices.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby support Rhode Island House Bill 7982 and Senate Bill 2678, DACA recipients and the continuation of the DACA program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent to the elected Rhode Island House and Senate representatives of the City of Providence.

IN CITY COUNCIL

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READ AND PASSED


PRES.


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I HEREBY APPROVE.


Mayor

Date: 4/20/18

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - OPERATORS' AND CHAUFFEURS'
LICENSES

Introduced By: Representatives Maldonado, Corvese, Diaz, Filippi, and McNamara

Date Introduced: March 22, 2018

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

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4 make up approximately twenty percent (20%) of Rhode Island's population.

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27 ~~(g)~~(h) The division of motor vehicles shall issue special licenses upon the request of a
28 licensee which conform to the provisions of the Rhode Island Anatomical Gift Act, chapter 18.6
29 of title 23.

30 ~~(h)~~(i) The division of motor vehicles shall note in an appropriate manner a restriction on
31 any person's license who is prohibited from operating a motor vehicle that is not equipped with an
32 ignition interlock system as provided in chapter 27 of this title.

33 ~~(i)~~(j) Any personal digitized information contained within an operator's or chauffeur's
34 license shall be limited to: (a) the licensee's name, age, date of birth, address, gender, physical

1 description such as weight, height, hair color and eye color, signature and organ donor status; and
2 (b) the license number, commercial endorsements, expiration date, issue date, restriction and
3 class.

4 ~~(j)(k)~~ Except to the extent an entity is authorized to renew drivers' licenses, or except for
5 financial institutions engaged in the verification of information for financial transactions,
6 nongovernmental entities shall not have access to any digitized information contained in an
7 operator or chauffeur's license other than the licensee's name, age, date of birth, signature, and
8 photographic image, and the license's expiration date; nor shall they store, record or retain any
9 such information obtained through a digital reading device. Access to digitized information by
10 such entities shall be solely for the purpose of determining the age of an individual for a
11 transaction, right or privilege available by law only to persons of a certain age.

12 ~~(e)(l)~~ To the extent that nongovernmental entities shall have access to the digitized
13 information stored on an operator's or chauffeur's license, the entity shall be civilly liable for the
14 unauthorized access to, or retention or use of, such information by its agents or persons acting in
15 the name of the entity.

16 ~~(+)(m)~~ The division of motor vehicles shall collect from applicants and licensees their
17 social security numbers and tax identification numbers only to the extent required by federal law.
18 Such numbers shall not be included, either digitally or visually, on the operator's or chauffeur's
19 license.

20 (n) Issuance of a Rhode Island operator's license under this chapter shall not confer the
21 right to vote in the state of Rhode Island.

22 SECTION 3. Sections 3-8-6 and 3-8-6.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 3-8 entitled
23 "Regulation of Sales" are hereby amended to read as follows:

24 3-8-6. Unlawful drinking and misrepresentation by underage persons --
25 Identification cards for persons twenty-one and older.

26 (a) It is unlawful for:

27 (1) A person who has not reached his or her twenty-first (21st) birthday to enter any
28 premises licensed for the retail sale of alcoholic beverages for the purpose of purchasing or
29 having served or delivered to him or her alcoholic beverages; or

30 (2) A person who has not reached his or her twenty-first (21st) birthday to consume any
31 alcoholic beverage on premises licensed for the retail sale of alcoholic beverages or to purchase,
32 attempt to purchase, or have another purchase for him or her any alcoholic beverage; or

33 (3) A person to misrepresent or misstate his or her age, or the age of any other persons, or
34 to misrepresent his or her age through the presentation of any of the following documents:

1 (i) An armed service identification card, valid passport, the identification card license, or
2 any other documentation used for identification purposes that may belong to any other person
3 who is twenty-one (21) years or older;

4 (ii) A motor vehicle operator's license which bears the date of birth of the licensee, and
5 which is issued by this state or any other state;

6 (iii) A Rhode Island identification card as defined in subsection (b) for the purpose of
7 inducing any licensee or any employee of any licensee, to sell, serve or deliver any alcoholic
8 beverage to a minor.

9 (b) (1) The administrator of the division of motor vehicles shall issue to any person who
10 has reached his or her twenty-first (21st) birthday a Rhode Island identification card upon
11 payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25), and, upon presentation of a certified birth or
12 baptismal certificate, or U.S. or foreign passport, or U.S. naturalization certificate or a valid
13 immigrant or refugee document issued by the United States immigration and naturalization
14 service, including, but not limited to, any one of the following: Form I-551, Form I-94, Form I-
15 688A, and Form I-688, and a form evidencing that the applicant is a current or past recipient of a
16 grant of deferred action under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, together with
17 a document bearing the applicant's signature.

18 (2) A person who has reached his or her fifty ninth (59th) birthday is not required to pay
19 the fee.

20 (3) Each registration card shall be subject to renewal every five (5) years upon payment
21 of a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25).

22 (4) No person who holds an operator's license issued by this state or any other state shall
23 be issued a Rhode Island identification card.

24 (5) The identification card shall be signed by the administrator of the division of motor
25 vehicles and by the applicant and his or her picture shall appear on the card along with the
26 required information and the card shall be encased in laminated plastic. The card shall be two
27 inches (2") in height and four inches (4") in length and shall be printed in the following form:

28 RHODE ISLAND IDENTIFICATION CARD

29 Date Issued No.....

30 First Name Middle Name Last Name

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32 Address

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34 BIRTH RECORD

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10 (6) The identification cards shall be produced at the adult correctional institutions if they
11 have facilities to do so; if the adult correctional institutions have no facilities to do so, then all
12 cards shall be manufactured by the lowest responsible bidder following advertisement for the
13 solicitation of bids.

14 (7) The identification cards shall be clearly distinguishable from those issued pursuant to
15 § 3-8-6.1 and operators' and chauffeurs' licenses issued pursuant to title 31.

16 (8) Any person who has been designated as permanently and totally disabled by the social
17 security administration or who upon certification by an optometrist, ophthalmologist or physician
18 that a holder of a valid and current motor vehicle operator's license is no longer able to operate a
19 motor vehicle, the administrator of the division of motor vehicles shall issue to such person, upon
20 request, a Rhode Island identification card for the unexpired term of such person's motor vehicle
21 operator's license at no additional cost. Thereafter, a renewal of such card shall be subject to the
22 standard renewal charge of twenty-five dollars (\$25) until such person shall reach his or her fifty-
23 ninth (59th) birthday.

24 (9) The administrator of the division of motor vehicles shall, upon presentation of a
25 United States Department of Defense (DD) FORM 214 or other acceptable documentation of
26 military service and verification of an honorable discharge, issue an identification card to the
27 presenter which is clearly marked "veteran", at no additional cost.

28 (c) (1) Every retail Class A, B, C, and D licensee shall cause to be kept a book or
29 photographic reproduction equipment which provides the same information as required by the
30 book. That licensee and/or the licensee's employee shall require any person who has shown a
31 document as set forth in this section substantiating his or her age to sign that book or to permit the
32 taking of his or her photograph and indicate what document was presented. Use of the
33 photographic reproduction equipment is voluntary for every Class A, B, C and D licensee.

34 (2) The sign-in as minor book and photographic reproduction equipment shall be

1 prescribed, published, and approved at the direction and control of the division. The book shall
2 contain at least four hundred (400) pages, shall be uniform throughout the state, and shall be
3 distributed at a cost not to exceed seven dollars (\$7.00).

4 (3) If a person whose age is in question signs the sign-in as minor book or has a
5 photograph taken before he or she is sold any alcoholic beverage and it is later determined that
6 the person had not reached his or her twenty-first (21st) birthday at the time of sale, it is
7 considered prima facie evidence that the licensee and/or the licensee's agent or servant acted in
8 good faith in selling any alcoholic beverage to the person producing the document as set forth in
9 this section misrepresenting his or her age.

10 (4) Proof of good faith reliance on any misrepresentation is a defense to the prosecution
11 of the licensee and/or the licensee's agent or servant for an alleged violation of this section.

12 (d) (1) Any person who violates this section shall be punished for the first offense by a
13 mandatory fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than five hundred dollars
14 (\$500) and shall be further punished by thirty (30) hours of community service and shall be
15 further punished by a suspension of his or her motor vehicle operator's license or driving
16 privileges for a period of thirty (30) days; for the second offense by a mandatory fine of not less
17 than five hundred dollars (\$500) nor more than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750) and shall be
18 further punished by forty (40) hours of community service and will be further punished by a
19 suspension of his or her motor vehicle operator's license or driving privileges for a period of three
20 (3) months; and for the third and subsequent offenses by a mandatory fine for each offense of not
21 less than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750) nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) and shall
22 be further punished by fifty (50) hours of community service and will be further punished by a
23 suspension of his or her motor vehicle operator's license or driving privileges for a period of one
24 year.

25 (2) Any suspension of an operator's license or driving privilege pursuant to this section
26 shall not operate to affect the insurance rating of the offender and any operator's license or
27 driving privilege suspended pursuant to this section shall be reinstated without further expense
28 upon application.

29 (e) Within thirty (30) days after this incident the police chief of the city or town where
30 the incident took place is directed to inform, in writing, the department of business regulation
31 whether or not charges in accordance with this section have been preferred against a person who
32 has not reached his or her twenty-first (21st) birthday and has violated this section. If no charge is
33 brought against any person who has not reached his or her twenty-first (21st) birthday and has
34 violated the provisions of this section, then the police chief of the city or town where the incident

1 took place will state the reason for his or her failure to charge the person who has not reached his
2 or her twenty-first (21st) birthday.

3 (f) The Rhode Island identification card may be withdrawn at any time for just cause, at
4 the discretion of the administrator of the division of motor vehicles. The administrator of the
5 division of motor vehicles shall keep a record of the cards issued and each card shall contain an
6 identification number specifically assigned to the person to whom the card was issued.

7 (g) Issuance of a Rhode Island identification card under this section shall not confer the
8 right to vote in the state of Rhode Island.

9 **3-8-6.1. Identification cards for persons under the age of 21.**

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11 request, who is under twenty-one (21) years of age, an identification card upon payment of a fee
12 of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), and, upon presentation of a certified birth or baptismal certificate,
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BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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30 ~~(h)~~(i) The division of motor vehicles shall note in an appropriate manner a restriction on
31 any person's license who is prohibited from operating a motor vehicle that is not equipped with an
32 ignition interlock system as provided in chapter 27 of this title.

33 ~~(i)~~(j) Any personal digitized information contained within an operator's or chauffeur's
34 license shall be limited to: (a) the licensee's name, age, date of birth, address, gender, physical

1 description such as weight, height, hair color and eye color, signature and organ donor status; and
2 (b) the license number, commercial endorsements, expiration date, issue date, restriction and
3 class.

4 ~~(j)~~(k) Except to the extent an entity is authorized to renew drivers' licenses, or except for
5 financial institutions engaged in the verification of information for financial transactions,
6 nongovernmental entities shall not have access to any digitized information contained in an
7 operator or chauffeur's license other than the licensee's name, age, date of birth, signature, and
8 photographic image, and the license's expiration date; nor shall they store, record or retain any
9 such information obtained through a digital reading device. Access to digitized information by
10 such entities shall be solely for the purpose of determining the age of an individual for a
11 transaction, right or privilege available by law only to persons of a certain age.

12 ~~(k)~~(l) To the extent that nongovernmental entities shall have access to the digitized
13 information stored on an operator's or chauffeur's license, the entity shall be civilly liable for the
14 unauthorized access to, or retention or use of, such information by its agents or persons acting in
15 the name of the entity.

16 ~~(l)~~(m) The division of motor vehicles shall collect from applicants and licensees their
17 social security numbers and tax identification numbers only to the extent required by federal law.
18 Such numbers shall not be included, either digitally or visually, on the operator's or chauffeur's
19 license.

20 (n) Issuance of a Rhode Island operator's license under this chapter shall not confer the
21 right to vote in the state of Rhode Island.

22 SECTION 3. Chapter 28-14 of the General Laws entitled "Payment of Wages" is hereby
23 amended by adding thereto the following section:

24 **28-14-32. Limited Rhode Island work authorization.**

25 (a) The director of the department of labor and training, or a designee thereof, may issue
26 to a current or past recipient of a grant of deferred action under the Deferred Action for
27 Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program a special limited permit to work.

28 (b) To be eligible for the special limited work permit an individual must present:

29 (1) Documentation issued by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services
30 verifying that the individual has received a grant of deferred action under the DACA program;
31 and

32 (2) Proof of Rhode Island residence.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect on December 3, 2018.

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- 1 This act would continue the status quo relating to operator's and chauffeur's licenses and
- 2 limited work authorization to approved recipients under the Deferred Action of Childhood
- 3 Arrivals (DACA) program. This act would also provide that the issuance of a Rhode Island
- 4 operator's license shall not confer the right to vote in the state of Rhode Island.
- 5 This act would take effect on December 3, 2018.

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