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Amends GS 20-7(f) by providing that effective January 1, 2007, an original driver's license expires on the birthday of the licensee in the eighth year after issue, for licensees between 18 and 54 years old, and on the birthday of the licensee in the fifth year after issue for licensees 54 years of age or older, and that subsequent expirations are 8 years after the initial renewal, for licensees between 18 and 54 years old and 5 years after renewal for licensees 54 years of age or older. Also makes stylistic and organizational changes to the statute. Further amends GS 20-7(f)(3) and amends GS 20-7(s) by replacing the requirement that the applicant hold "a visa of limited duration from the United State Department of Homeland Security" and with the requirement that the applicant hold a "valid documentation issued by, or under the authority of, the United States government that demonstrates the applicant's legal presence of limited duration in the United States". Amends GS 20-15(a) by adding expiration of legal presence to the reasons for which the Division of Motor Vehicles may cancel a driver's license and makes conforming change to GS 20-4.01. Changes other than the amendment to GS 20-7(f) relating to renewal of licenses are effective when they become law.

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