March 26, 2009

S 931. COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE CHANGES. Filed 3/25/09. TO PROVIDE RECIPROCITY TO COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE HOLDERS FROM MEXICO, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION OF CONVICTION FOR OUT-OF-STATE VIOLATIONS, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION OF EMPLOYER WITH REGARDS TO COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSES, TO ADD A DISQUALIFYING VIOLATION TO COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSES, TO INCREASE CIVIL PENALTIES, TO EXPAND EMPLOYER REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES, AND TO MODIFY REQUIREMENTS FOR CONVICTIONS TEN YEARS OLD OR OLDER.

Amends GS 20-4.01(4a)b. defining out-of-state offenses to include any prayer for judgment continued including payment of a fine or costs, if the offender holds a commercial drivers license or if the offense occurs in a commercial motor vehicle. Amends GS 20-4.01(7b), expanding the definition of employer. Enacts GS 20-17.4(c1) providing that a person is disqualified from driving a commercial vehicle for life if that person has had a commercial driver's license reinstated in the past and is convicted of another major disqualifying offense. Amends GS 20-36 (ten-year-old convictions not considered) to except offenses by the holder of a commercial driver's license involving noncommercial motor vehicle from that provision. Amends GS 20-37.12(d) pertaining to Mexican licenses as title indicates. Amends GS 20-37.19(b) to provide that no employer shall knowingly allow, permit, or authorize a driver to drive a commercial motor vehicle during any period in which the driver, the commercial vehicle being operated, or the motor carrier operation is subject to an out-of-service order. Amends GS 20-37.21(a) pertaining to penalties to provide that violators are subject to civil penalties as provided in 49 C.F.R. 383.53(b). Definitional changes and provision regarding Mexican licenses are effective when the act becomes law; all other provisions are effective December 1, 2009, and apply to offenses committed on or after that date.

Intro. by Goss.

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June 17, 2009

S 931. COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE CHANGES. Filed 3/25/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends GS 20-37.12(d) to provide that a person who is not a resident of North Carolina who holds a commercial drivers license (1) issued by the person's state of residence or (2) recognized by the federal government that grants the privilege of driving a commercial motor vehicle (was, or holds a valid Mexican Licensia Federal de Conductor) is permitted to drive a commercial motor vehicle in this state without further examination or licensure. Makes a conforming change to the title.

July 20, 2009

S 931. COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE CHANGES. Filed 3/25/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Deletes that (1) proposed changes to GS 20-4.01(4a)b., GS 20-4.01(7b), and GS 20-37.12(d) are effective when the act becomes law and (2) the remainder of the act becomes effective December 1, 2009. Instead, makes the entire act effective March 31, 2010, and applicable to offenses committed on or after that date.

August 5, 2009

SL 2009-416 (S 931). COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE CHANGES. AN ACT TO PROVIDE RECIPROCITY TO A PERSON WHO HOLDS ANY COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE RECOGNIZED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION OF CONVICTION FOR OUT-OF-STATE VIOLATIONS, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION OF EMPLOYER WITH REGARDS TO COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSES, TO ADD A DISQUALIFYING VIOLATION TO COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSES, TO INCREASE CIVIL PENALTIES, TO EXPAND EMPLOYER REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES, AND TO MODIFY REQUIREMENTS FOR CONVICTIONS TEN YEARS OLD OR OLDER. Summarized in Daily Bulletin 3/26/09, 6/17/09, and 7/20/09. Enacted August 5, 2009. Effective March 31, 2010.