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Short Title: Bioptic Lenses/Issuance of Drivers License. (Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 2 AN ACT TO ALLOW THE ISSUANCE OF DRIVERS LICENSES TO PERSONS USING 3 BIOPTIC TELESCOPIC LENSES PROVIDED THEY MEET OTHER LICENSING 4 **REQUIREMENTS.**
- The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 5 6
 - SECTION 1. G.S. 20-7(e) reads as rewritten:

Restrictions. - The Division may impose any restriction it finds advisable on a 7 "(e) drivers license. It is unlawful for the holder of a restricted license to operate a motor vehicle 8 9 without complying with the restriction and is the equivalent of operating a motor vehicle without a license. If any applicant shall suffer from any physical defect or disease which affects 10 his or her operation of a motor vehicle, the Division may require to be filed with it a certificate 11 12 of such applicant's condition signed by some medical authority of the applicant's community 13 designated by the Division. This certificate shall in all cases be treated as confidential. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prevent the Division from refusing to issue a license, 14 15 either restricted or unrestricted, to any person deemed to be incapable of safely operating a motor vehicle. This subsection does not prohibit deaf persons or persons using bioptic 16 17 telescopic lenses from operating motor vehicles who in every other way meet the requirements 18 of this section."

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- **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.



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