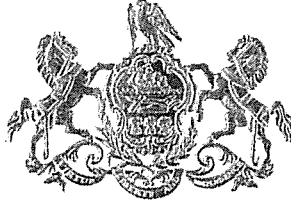


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**MIKE WAUGH**  
SENATOR  
MEMORANDUM

JUN 19 2012

DATE: June 12, 2012  
TO: All Senators  
FROM: Senator Mike Waugh   
SUBJECT: Request to co-sponsor legislation  
*Driver's License*

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I plan to introduce legislation to amend *Title 75 (Vehicles)* of the *Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes* regarding the issuance of driver's licenses.

Currently, PennDOT issues vertical-display licenses to any licensee who is under age 21, and horizontal-display licenses to any licensee age 21 and over. The clear intent is to provide alcohol retailers a tool to determine whether the purchaser is of age to buy alcohol. However, due to the current licensing cycle, a typical licensee's first renewal will be a vertical license that will extend well beyond their 21st birthday. This result diminishes the effectiveness that must have been intended by having the two license orientations.

The legislation I plan to offer will provide that any license issued to a person under age 21 shall expire the day before their 21st birthday. Contrary to the current system, this will provide consistency in Pennsylvania's licensing system and strengthen the effectiveness of the vertical, under-21 license.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Debbie Clark in my office at 787-3817 or by email at [dclark@pasen.gov](mailto:dclark@pasen.gov).