

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for
3 issuance and content of driver's license.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 1510 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding subsections to read:
8 § 1510. Issuance and content of driver's license.

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10 (k) Foster youth and homeless youth.--When a foster youth or
11 homeless youth applies for a driver's license or an
12 identification card:

13 (1) The department shall exempt the foster youth or
14 homeless youth from the payment of the fee for issuing the
15 driver's license or identification card.

16 (2) The department may issue the driver's license or
17 identification card without the signature or presence of or
18 permission from a parent or guardian.

1 (3) If the foster youth or homeless youth does not have
2 a residence or domicile, the department shall accept:

3 (i) a letter certifying that the individual is
4 homeless that is issued by the school district in which
5 the individual is enrolled, the director of an emergency
6 shelter or transition housing program or the director of
7 a basic center for runaway and homeless youth or a
8 transitional living program; or

9 (ii) the address of the office where a caseworker
10 for the individual is based if the individual is in
11 foster care.

12 (1) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
13 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
14 subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

15 "Foster youth." An individual under 18 years of age, or if a
16 court retains dependency jurisdiction under 42 Pa.C.S. § 6351(j)
17 (relating to disposition of dependent child), an individual up
18 to 21 years of age who is:

19 (1) under the care and responsibility of the
20 Commonwealth and is placed in foster care, as defined in 45
21 CFR 1355.20 (relating to definitions), under 42 Pa.C.S. §
22 6351 or 6352 (relating to disposition of delinquent child);
23 or

24 (2) placed under a voluntary placement agreement under
25 55 Pa. Code § 3130.65 (relating to voluntary placement
26 agreement).

27 "Homeless youth." The term shall have the same meaning as
28 "unaccompanied youth" under the McKinney-Vento Homeless
29 Assistance Act (Public Law 100-77, 101 Stat. 482).

30 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.