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## SENATE BILL No. 383

By Committee on Transportation

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AN ACT amending the Kansas uniform commercial drivers' license act; relating to hazardous materials endorsement; amending K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 8-2,128 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) Beginning April 1, 2004, or upon final determination by the transportation security administration of the date for implementation of the requirements of 49 C.F.R. 1572, whichever is later, the division shall not issue, renew, upgrade or transfer a hazardous materials endorsement for a commercial driver's license to any person authorizing that person to operate a commercial motor vehicle transporting a hazardous material in commerce unless the individual complies with the requirements of 49 C.F.R. 1572.

- (b) At least 180 days before the expiration date of a commercial driver's license or hazardous materials endorsement, the division shall notify the holder of a hazardous materials endorsement that the person must pass a transportation security administration security screening process, 49 C.F.R. 1572, as part of any application for renewal of the hazardous materials endorsement. The notice must advise the person that, in order to expedite the security screening process, the person should file a renewal application as soon as possible, but not later than 90 days before the date of expiration of the endorsement. Any person who does not successfully complete the security screening process, shall not be issued a hazardous materials endorsement.
- (c) An individual must submit fingerprints, in a form and manner specified by the division, when such individual applies to obtain, renew or transfer a hazardous materials endorsement for a commercial driver's license. A fee not to exceed \$100 shall be charged to such individual for collecting the fingerprints and generating the individual's criminal history.
- (d) The divisions shall revoke a person's hazardous materials endorsement if the person does not meet the standards for security threat assessment under 49 C.F.R. 1572.
- (e) The provisions of this section shall be a part of and supplemental to the Kansas uniform commercial drivers' license act.

- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 8-2,128 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-2,128. As used in this act:
- 3 (a) "Alcohol" means any substance containing any form of alcohol 4 including, but not limited to, ethanol, methanol, propanol and 5 isopropanol;
  - (b) "alcohol concentration" means:
    - (1) The number of grams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of blood; or
      - (2) the number of grams of alcohol per 210 liters of breath;
- 9 (c) "commercial driver's license" means a commercial license issued 10 pursuant to K.S.A. 8-234b, and amendments thereto;
  - (d) "commercial driver license system" means the information system established pursuant to the commercial motor vehicle safety act of 1986 to serve as a clearinghouse for locating information related to the licensing and identification of commercial motor vehicle drivers;
  - (e) "instruction permit" means a permit issued pursuant to K.S.A. 8-294, and amendments thereto;
  - (f) "commercial motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle designed or used to transport passengers or property, if:
  - (1) The vehicle has a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,001 or more pounds or such lesser rating, as determined by rules and regulations adopted by the secretary, but shall not be more restrictive than the federal regulation;
  - (2) the vehicle is designed to transport 16 or more passengers, including the driver; or
  - (3) the vehicle is transporting hazardous materials and is required to be placarded in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 172, subpart F;
  - (g) "controlled substance" means any substance so classified under K.S.A. 65-4101, and amendments thereto;
  - (h) "conviction" means an unvacated adjudication of guilt or a determination that a person has violated or failed to comply with the law and in a court of original jurisdiction or an administrative proceeding, an unvacated forfeiture of bail or collateral deposited to secure the person's appearance in court, a plea of guilty or nolo contendere accepted by the court, the payment of a fine or court cost, or violation of a condition of release without bail, regardless of whether the penalty is rebated, suspended or probated;
  - (i) "disqualification" means a prohibition against driving a commercial motor vehicle, including the suspension, revocation or cancellation of the privilege to drive a commercial motor vehicle;
- 40 (j) "drive" means to drive, operate or be in physical control of a motor 41 vehicle in any place open to the general public for purposes of vehicular 42 traffic. For purposes of K.S.A. 8-2,137, 8-2,138, 8-2,142, 8-2,144 and 8-43 2,145, and amendments thereto, "drive" includes operation or physical

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control of a motor vehicle anywhere in the state;

- (k) "driver" means any person who drives, operates or is in physical control of a commercial motor vehicle, in any place open to the general public for purposes of vehicular traffic, or who is required to hold a commercial driver's license;
- (l) "driver's license" means any driver's license or any other license or permit to operate a motor vehicle issued under, or granted by, the laws of this state, including:
  - (1) Any temporary license or instruction;
- (2) the privilege of any person to drive a motor vehicle whether or not such person holds a valid license; or
  - (3) any nonresident's operating privilege;
- (m) "employer" means any person, including the United States, a state or a political subdivision of a state, who owns or leases a commercial motor vehicle or assigns a person to drive a commercial motor vehicle;
- (n) "endorsement" means an authorization to an individual's commercial driver's license required to permit the individual to operate certain types of commercial motor vehicles;
- (o) "felony" means any offense under state or federal law that is punishable by death or imprisonment for a term exceeding one year;
- (p) "gross vehicle weight rating" means the value specified by the manufacturer as the maximum loaded weight of a single or a combination (articulated) vehicle. The gross vehicle weight rating of a combination (articulated) vehicle (commonly referred to as the "gross combination weight rating") is the gross vehicle weight rating of the power unit plus the gross vehicle weight rating of the towed unit or units;
- (q) "hazardous materials" has the meaning as that found in section 103 of the hazardous materials transportation act, 49 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.;
- (r) "motor vehicle" means every vehicle which is self-propelled, and every vehicle which is propelled by electric power obtained from overhead trolly wires but not operated upon rails, except vehicles moved solely by human power and motorized wheel chairs;
- (s) "out-of-service order" means a temporary prohibition against driving a commercial motor vehicle, which is imposed when a driver has any measured or detected alcohol concentration while on duty, or operating, or in physical control of a commercial motor vehicle or a declaration by an authorized enforcement officer of a federal, state, Canadian, Mexican or local jurisdiction that a driver, a commercial motor vehicle or a motor carrier operation, is out-of-service pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 386.72, 392.5, 395.13, 396.9 or such compatible laws, or the North American out-of-service criteria;
- (t) "residence" means the place which is adopted by a person as the person's place of habitation and to which, whenever the person is absent,

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- (u) "secretary" means the secretary of the Kansas department of 4 5 revenue;
  - $(\mathbf{v})$ "serious traffic violation" means:
- 7 Excessive speeding, is defined as 15 miles per hour or more over 8 the posted speed limit;
- 9 (2) reckless driving, as defined under K.S.A. 8-1566, and amend-10 ments thereto;
  - (3) a violation of any state or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control, other than a parking violation, arising in connection with an accident or collision resulting in death to any person;
  - changing lanes of traffic illegally or erratically, as defined under K.S.A. 8-1548, and amendments thereto;
  - following another vehicle too closely, as defined under K.S.A. 8-1523, and amendments thereto:
  - (6)a violation of subsection (a) of K.S.A. 8-2,132, and amendments thereto; or
  - any other violation of a state or local law relating to motor vehicle (7)traffic control, other than a parking violation, which the secretary determines by rule and regulation to be serious;
  - "state" means a state of the United States and the District of  $(\mathbf{w})$ Columbia;
  - "state of domicile" means that state where a person has such person's true, fixed and permanent home and principal residence and to which such person has the intention of returning whenever such person is absent;
- "tank vehicle" means any commercial motor vehicle that is de-30 signed to transport any liquid or gaseous material within a tank that is 31 either permanently or temporarily attached to the vehicle or the chassis. 32 Such vehicles include, but are not limited to, cargo tanks, as defined in 33 49 C.F.R. 171. However, this definition does not include portable tanks having a rated capacity under 1,000 gallons;
  - "United States" means the 50 states and the District of Columbia;
- 36 "division" means the division of vehicles of the Kansas depart-37 ment of revenue;
- 38 "director" means the director of the division of vehicles of the 39 Kansas department of revenue;
- 40 "foreign country" means any jurisdiction other than the United (cc)41 States;
- 42 (dd)"nonresident commercial driver's license" means a license is-43 sued pursuant to K.S.A. 8-2,148, and amendments thereto;

- 1 (ee) "fatality" means the death of a person as a result of a motor 2 vehicle accident;
- 3 (ff) "noncommercial motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle or com-4 bination of motor vehicles not defined by the term commercial motor 5 vehicle in subsection (f);
- 6 (gg) "school bus" means a commercial motor vehicle used to trans-7 port preprimary, primary or secondary school students from home to 8 school, from school to home or to and from school-sponsored events. 9 School bus does not include a bus used as a common carrier;
- 10 (hh) "revoke" means the process by which the division cancels, sus-11 pends, withdrawals, annuls or disqualifies a hazardous material 12 endorsement.
- 13 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 8-2,128 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.