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3 By Senator Barfoot  
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SYNOPSIS:

Existing law authorizes the Alabama State Law Enforcement Agency to issue driver licenses to foreign nationals.

This bill would provide that a foreign national driver license may not be used for purposes of providing valid photo identification when voting.

A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to foreign national driver licenses; to amend Section 32-6-10.1, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide that foreign national driver licenses may not be used as photo identification for voting purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 32-6-10.1, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§32-6-10.1

(a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) FOREIGN NATIONAL. An individual who is not a citizen of the United States.



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29           (2) LICENSE. An Alabama driver license, non-driver  
30 identification card, or vessel license.

31           (b) The application for a license to be issued to a  
32 foreign national shall contain, in addition to the information  
33 on the established application, the applicant's country of  
34 origin and the expiration date of the acceptable form of  
35 immigration documentation as outlined in this section.

36           (c) Applications for a foreign national license shall  
37 be processed only at driver license offices designated by the  
38 Secretary of the Alabama State Law Enforcement Agency.

39           (d) The license issued to a foreign national shall  
40 include a designation that the license is issued to a foreign  
41 national in a manner set forth by the Secretary of the Alabama  
42 State Law Enforcement Agency on the license. The designation  
43 shall distinguish between foreign nationals with lawful  
44 permanent residence in the United States and foreign nationals  
45 whose authorized period of stay in the United States is  
46 temporary.

47           (e) The license issued to a foreign national shall  
48 expire on the date of the expiration of the acceptable form of  
49 immigration documentation provided at the time of application.

50           (f) In order for a foreign national to renew his or her  
51 license, the applicant must re-initiate the licensing process  
52 in the same manner as a first-time applicant.

53           (g) Under no circumstances shall the agency issue a  
54 license for a period of less than 30 days.

55           (h) A license issued pursuant to this section may not  
56 be presented or accepted for purposes of complying with



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57 [Section 17-9-30.](#)

58           ~~(h)~~ [\(i\)](#) The Secretary of the Alabama State Law  
59 Enforcement Agency shall adopt rules concerning the  
60 enforcement of this section."

61           Section 2. This act shall become effective June 1,  
62 2025.