

## SB45 INTRODUCED



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## 4 SYNOPSIS:

5 Under existing law, individuals are required to  
6 obtain a driver license before driving a motor vehicle  
7 in this state, and new residents are required to obtain  
8 an Alabama driver license within 30 days after  
9 establishing residence in this state.

10 A nonresident with a driver license issued in  
11 his or her home state or country may be exempt from the  
12 Alabama driver license requirement under certain  
13 circumstances.

14 This bill would invalidate the use of any driver  
15 license that explicitly indicates it was issued to an  
16 individual who did not exercise the option of providing  
17 proof of lawful presence in the United States when  
18 obtaining the license.

19 This bill would also prevent a nonresident from  
20 qualifying for an exemption to the Alabama driver  
21 license requirement if the nonresident's license  
22 explicitly indicates that it was issued to an  
23 individual who did not exercise the option of providing  
24 proof of lawful presence in the United States when  
25 obtaining the license.

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28 A BILL



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TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

Relating to driver licenses; to invalidate the use of certain classes of driver licenses; to amend Section 32-6-2, Code of Alabama 1975; to prevent certain individuals from qualifying for certain driver license exemptions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) A driver license of a class issued exclusively to individuals who did not exercise the option of providing proof of lawful presence in the United States when obtaining the license is not valid in this state and does not authorize the holder to operate a motor vehicle in this state.

(b) A law enforcement officer who stops an individual driving with a license as described in subsection (a) shall issue a citation to the individual for driving without a license pursuant to Section 32-6-18, Code of Alabama 1975.

(c) To facilitate the enforcement of this section and to aid in providing notice to visitors and the general public concerning invalid driver licenses, the Alabama State Law Enforcement Agency shall do both of the following:

(1) Maintain on its website a statement summarizing this section.

(2) Design road signage to give notice to drivers regarding the provisions of this section.

(d) The State Department of Transportation shall install the signage designed pursuant to subsection (c) in each location that features a sign welcoming drivers to this



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state.

Section 2. Section 32-6-2, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§32-6-2

The following ~~persons~~ individuals, when driving a motor vehicle under the following conditions, are exempt from ~~a~~ the requirement to obtain a driver license ~~hereunder~~:

(1) Any ~~person~~ individual in the service of the federal government while driving an official motor vehicle in such service~~†~~.

(2) Any ~~person~~ individual while driving any road machine, farm tractor, or implement of husbandry temporarily driven or moved on a highway~~†~~.

(3) A nonresident who is at least 16 years of age and who has in his or her immediate possession a valid ~~driver's~~ driver license issued in his or her home state or country~~†~~. This exemption shall not apply if the nonresident's license is invalid pursuant to Section 1 of the act amending this section.

~~-(4) Any nonresident who is at least 16 years of age whose home state or country does not require the licensing of drivers for a period of not more than 90 days in any calendar year, if the motor vehicle so driven is duly registered in the home state or country of such nonresident."~~

Section 3. This act shall become effective on October 1, 2026.