

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 349

BY REPRESENTATIVES EDMONSTON AND HODGES

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

MTR VEHICLE/DRIVER LIC: Prohibits requiring vaccination verification or immunity status for certain transactions or for inclusion on a driver's license or special identification card

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 32:411.2 and R.S. 40:1321(N)(3) and (4), relative to the issuance, renewal, or
3 revocation of a driver's license or special identification card; to prohibit the use of
4 vaccination verification or immunity status for the issuance, renewal, or revocation
5 of a state issued driver's license or special identification card; to prohibit the
6 inclusion of vaccination verification or immunity status on a state issued driver's
7 license or special identification card; and to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 32:411.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §411.2. Prohibition against the inclusion of vaccination verification or immunity
11 status on driver's licenses

12 A. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor
13 vehicles, is prohibited from making the issuance, renewal, or revocation of a state
14 issued driver's license contingent on vaccination verification or immunity status.

15 B. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor
16 vehicles, shall not include any vaccination verification or immunity status on a state
17 issued driver's license.

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1 Section 2. R.S. 40:1321(N)(3) and (4) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
2 follows:

3 §1321. Special identification cards; issuance; veteran designation; disabled veteran
4 designation; university logo; "I'm a Cajun" designation; needs
5 accommodation designation; fees; expiration and renewal; exceptions;
6 prohibitions; promulgation of rules; promotion of use; persons less than
7 twenty-one years of age; the Protect and Save our Children Program;
8 Selective Service Registration

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12 (3) The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor
13 vehicles, is prohibited from making the issuance, renewal, or revocation of a state
14 issued special identification card contingent on vaccination verification or immunity
15 status.

16 (4) The Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall not include any
17 vaccination verification or immunity status on a state issued special identification
18 card.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Prohibits the office of motor vehicles from including vaccination verification or immunity status on a driver's license or state identification card and from using such records for the issuance, renewal, or revocation of a driver's license or state identification card.

Present law requires that a state identification card include, upon request, the card holder's blood type on the back of the special identification card. Present law prohibits action by any private citizen, public officer, or employee to create a warranty of the reliability or accuracy of the document or electronic image, or create any liability on the part of the state, department, office, agency of the state, state officer, state employee, or agent of the state.

Proposed law adds a provision that prohibits the office of motor vehicles (OMV) from making the issuance, renewal, or revocation of a state issued driver's license or identification card contingent on vaccination verification or immunity status. Prohibits OMV from including any vaccination verification or immunity status information on a state issued driver's license or identification card.

(Adds R.S. 32:411.2 and R.S. 40:1321(N)(3) and (4))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill:

1. Make a technical change.