

CHAPTER 272

H.B. No. 1190

AN ACT

relating to information contained in certain drivers' licenses and personal identification certificates.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Section 11(a), Chapter 173, Acts of the 47th Legislature, Regular Session, 1941 (Article 6687b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Department shall, upon payment of the required fee, issue to every qualifying applicant a driver's license as applied for. The license shall bear a distinguishing number assigned to the licensee by the Department, a color photograph of the licensee, the full name, date of birth, residence address, and a brief description of the licensee, and either a facsimile of the signature of the licensee or a space upon which the licensee shall write his usual signature with pen and ink immediately upon receipt of the license. No license shall be valid until it has been so signed by the licensee. *The Department shall print the word and number "UNDER 21" across the face of each original, renewed, or duplicate license issued to a licensee younger than 21 years of age, or shall designate and clearly mark the license as a provisional license as provided in Section 11A of this Act.*

*The words and numbers must be in red ink and must be at least one-fourth of an inch in height.*

SECTION 2. Section 14A(a), Chapter 173, Acts of the 47th Legislature, Regular Session, 1941 (Article 6687b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Department may issue personal identification certificates, similar in form but distinguishable in color from drivers' licenses. *The Department shall print the word and number "UNDER 21" across the face of each personal identification certificate issued to a person younger than 21 years of age. The words and numbers must be in red ink and must be at least one-fourth of an inch in height.* Certificates issued under authority of this section shall expire on a date specified by the Department.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 1987, and applies only to drivers' licenses or personal identification certificates that are issued, renewed, or replaced on or after that date.

SECTION 4. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on April 23, 1987, by a non-record vote; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1190 on May 26, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 23, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 10, 1987.

Effective Sept. 1, 1987.