Chapter 4506: COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSING

4506.01 Commercial driver's licensing definitions.

As used in this chapter:

- (A) "Alcohol concentration" means the concentration of alcohol in a person's blood, breath, or urine. When expressed as a percentage, it means grams of alcohol per the following:
- (1) One hundred milliliters of whole blood, blood serum, or blood plasma;
- (2) Two hundred ten liters of breath;
- (3) One hundred milliliters of urine.
- (B) "Commercial driver's license" means a license issued in accordance with this chapter that authorizes an individual to drive a commercial motor vehicle.
- (C) "Commercial driver's license information system" means the information system established pursuant to the requirements of the "Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986," 100 Stat. 3207-171, 49 U.S.C.A. App. 2701.
- (D) Except when used in section 4506.25 of the Revised Code, "commercial motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle designed or used to transport persons or property that meets any of the following qualifications:
- (1) Any combination of vehicles with a combined gross vehicle weight rating of twenty-six thousand one pounds or more, provided the gross vehicle weight rating of the vehicle or vehicles being towed is in excess of ten thousand pounds;
- (2) Any single vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of twenty-six thousand one pounds or more, or any such vehicle towing a vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating that is not in excess of ten thousand pounds;
- (3) Any single vehicle or combination of vehicles that is not a class A or class B vehicle, but is designed to transport sixteen or more passengers including the driver;
- (4) Any school bus with a gross vehicle weight rating of less than twenty-six thousand one pounds that is designed to transport fewer than sixteen passengers including the driver;
- (5) Is transporting hazardous materials for which placarding is required under subpart F of 49 C.F.R. part 172, as amended;
- (6) Any single vehicle or combination of vehicles that is designed to be operated and to travel on a public street or highway and is considered by the federal motor carrier safety administration to be a commercial motor vehicle, including, but not limited to, a motorized crane, a vehicle whose function is to pump cement, a rig for drilling wells, and a portable crane.
- (E) "Controlled substance" means all of the following:
- (1) Any substance classified as a controlled substance under the "Controlled Substances Act," 80 Stat. 1242 (1970), 21 U.S.C.A. 802(6), as amended;
- (2) Any substance included in schedules I through V of 21 C.F.R. part 1308, as amended;
- (3) Any drug of abuse.

- (F) "Conviction" means an unvacated adjudication of guilt or a determination that a person has violated or failed to comply with the law in a court of original jurisdiction or an authorized administrative tribunal, 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 or not the penalty is rebated, suspended, or probated.
- (G) "Disqualification" means any of the following:
- (1) The suspension, revocation, or cancellation of a person's privileges to operate a commercial motor vehicle;
- (2) Any withdrawal of a person's privileges to operate a commercial motor vehicle as the result of a violation of state or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control other than parking, vehicle weight, or vehicle defect violations;
- (3) A determination by the federal motor carrier safety administration that a person is not qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle under 49 C.F.R. 391.
- (H) "Downgrade" means any of the following, as applicable:
- (1) A change in the commercial driver's license holder's self-certified status as described in division (A)(2) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code;
- (2) A change to a lesser class of vehicle;
- (3) Removal of commercial driver's license privileges from the individual's driver's license.
- (I) "Drive" means to drive, operate, or be in physical control of a motor vehicle.
- (J) "Driver" means any person who drives, operates, or is in physical control of a commercial motor vehicle or is required to have a commercial driver's license.
- (K) "Driver's license" means a license issued by the bureau of motor vehicles that authorizes an individual to drive.
- (L) "Drug of abuse" means any controlled substance, dangerous drug as defined in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code, or over-the-counter medication that, when taken in quantities exceeding the recommended dosage, can result in impairment of judgment or reflexes.
- (M) "Electronic device" includes a cellular telephone, a personal digital assistant, a pager, a computer, and any other device used to input, write, send, receive, or read text.
- (N) "Eligible unit of local government" means a village, township, or county that has a population of not more than three thousand persons according to the most recent federal census.
- (O) "Employer" means any person, including the federal government, any state, and a political subdivision of any state, that owns or leases a commercial motor vehicle or assigns a person to drive such a motor vehicle.
- (P) "Endorsement" means an authorization on a person's commercial driver's license that is required to permit the person to operate a specified type of commercial motor vehicle.
- (Q) "Farm truck" means a truck controlled and operated by a farmer for use in the transportation to or from a farm, for a distance of not more than one hundred fifty miles, of products of the farm, including livestock and its products, poultry and its products, floricultural and horticultural products, and in the transportation to the farm, from a distance of not more than one hundred fifty miles, of supplies for the farm, including tile, fence, and every other thing or commodity used in agricultural, floricultural, horticultural, livestock, and poultry

production, and livestock, poultry, and other animals and things used for breeding, feeding, or other purposes connected with the operation of the farm, when the truck is operated in accordance with this division and is not used in the operations of a motor transportation company or private motor carrier.

- (R) "Fatality" means the death of a person as the result of a motor vehicle accident occurring not more than three hundred sixty-five days prior to the date of death.
- (S) "Felony" means any offense under federal or state law that is punishable by death or specifically classified as a felony under the law of this state, regardless of the penalty that may be imposed.
- (T) "Foreign jurisdiction" means any jurisdiction other than a state.
- (U) "Gross vehicle weight rating" means the value specified by the manufacturer as the maximum loaded weight of a single or a combination vehicle. The gross vehicle weight rating of a combination vehicle is the gross vehicle weight rating of the power unit plus the gross vehicle weight rating of each towed unit.
- (V) "Hazardous materials" means any material that has been designated as hazardous under 49 U.S.C. 5103 and is required to be placarded under subpart F of 49 C.F.R. part 172 or any quantity of a material listed as a select agent or toxin in 42 C.F.R. part 73, as amended.
- (W) "Imminent hazard" means the existence of a condition that presents a substantial likelihood that death, serious illness, severe personal injury, or a substantial endangerment to health, property, or the environment may occur before the reasonably foreseeable completion date of a formal proceeding begun to lessen the risk of that death, illness, injury, or endangerment.
- (X) "Medical variance" means one of the following received by a driver from the federal motor carrier safety administration that allows the driver to be issued a medical certificate:
- (1) An exemption letter permitting operation of a commercial motor vehicle under 49 C.F.R. 381, subpart C or 49 C.F.R. 391.64;
- (2) A skill performance evaluation certificate permitting operation of a commercial motor vehicle pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 391.49.
- (Y) "Motor vehicle" means a vehicle, machine, tractor, trailer, or semitrailer propelled or drawn by mechanical power used on highways, except that such term does not include a vehicle, machine, tractor, trailer, or semitrailer operated exclusively on a rail.
- (Z) "Out-of-service order" means a declaration by an authorized enforcement officer of a federal, state, local, Canadian, or Mexican jurisdiction declaring that a driver, commercial motor vehicle, or commercial motor carrier operation is out of service as defined in 49 C.F.R. 390.5.
- (AA) "Peace officer" has the same meaning as in section 2935.01 of the Revised Code.
- (BB) "Portable tank" means a liquid or gaseous packaging designed primarily to be loaded onto or temporarily attached to a vehicle and equipped with skids, mountings, or accessories to facilitate handling of the tank by mechanical means.
- (CC) "Public safety vehicle" has the same meaning as in divisions (E)(1) and (3) of section 4511.01 of the Revised Code.
- (DD) "Recreational vehicle" includes every vehicle that is defined as a recreational vehicle in section 4501.01 of the Revised Code and is used exclusively for purposes other than engaging in business for profit.
- (EE) "Residence" means any person's residence determined in accordance with standards prescribed in rules

adopted by the registrar.

- (FF) "School bus" has the same meaning as in section 4511.01 of the Revised Code.
- (GG) "Serious traffic violation" means any of the following:
- (1) A conviction arising from a single charge of operating a commercial motor vehicle in violation of any provision of section 4506.03 of the Revised Code;
- (2) A violation while operating a commercial motor vehicle of a law of this state, or any municipal ordinance or county or township resolution prohibiting texting while driving, or any other substantially similar law of another state or political subdivision of another state;
- (3) A conviction arising from the operation of any motor vehicle that involves any of the following:
- (a) A single charge of any speed in excess of the posted speed limit by fifteen miles per hour or more;
- (b) Violation of section 4511.20 or 4511.201 of the Revised Code or any similar ordinance or resolution, or of any similar law of another state or political subdivision of another state;
- (c) Violation of a law of this state or an ordinance or resolution relating to traffic control, other than a parking violation, or of any similar law of another state or political subdivision of another state, that results in a fatal accident;
- (d) Violation of section 4506.03 of the Revised Code or a substantially similar municipal ordinance or county or township resolution, or of any similar law of another state or political subdivision of another state, that involves the operation of a commercial motor vehicle without a valid commercial driver's license with the proper class or endorsement for the specific vehicle group being operated or for the passengers or type of cargo being transported;
- (e) Violation of section 4506.03 of the Revised Code or a substantially similar municipal ordinance or county or township resolution, or of any similar law of another state or political subdivision of another state, that involves the operation of a commercial motor vehicle without a valid commercial driver's license being in the person's possession;
- (f) Violation of section 4511.33 or 4511.34 of the Revised Code, or any municipal ordinance or county or township resolution substantially similar to either of those sections, or any substantially similar law of another state or political subdivision of another state;
- (g) Violation of any other law of this state or an ordinance or resolution relating to traffic control, other than a parking violation, that is determined to be a serious traffic violation by the United States secretary of transportation and the director designates as such by rule.
- (HH) "State" means a state of the United States and includes the District of Columbia.
- (II) "Tank vehicle" means any commercial motor vehicle that is designed to transport any liquid and has a maximum capacity greater than one hundred nineteen gallons or is designed to transport gaseous materials and has a water capacity greater than one thousand pounds within a tank that is either permanently or temporarily attached to the vehicle or its chassis. "Tank vehicle" does not include any of the following:
- (1) Any portable tank having a rated capacity of less than one thousand gallons;
- (2) Tanks used exclusively as a fuel tank for the motor vehicle to which it is attached;
- (3) An empty storage container tank that is not designed for transportation and that is readily distinguishable from a transportation tank;

- (4) Ready-mix concrete mixers.
- (JJ) "Tester" means a person or entity acting pursuant to a valid agreement entered into pursuant to division
- (B) of section 4506.09 of the Revised Code.
- (KK) "Texting" means manually entering alphanumeric text into, or reading text from, an electronic device. Texting includes short message service, e-mail, instant messaging, a command or request to access a world wide web page, or engaging in any other form of electronic text retrieval or entry, for present or future communication. Texting does not include the following:
- (1) Reading, selecting, or entering a telephone number, an extension number, or voicemail retrieval codes and commands into an electronic device for the purpose of initiating or receiving a telephone call or using voice commands to initiate or receive a telephone call;
- (2) Inputting, selecting, or reading information on a global positioning system or navigation system.
- (LL) "Texting while driving" means texting while operating a commercial motor vehicle, with the motor running, including while temporarily stationary because of traffic, a traffic control device, or other momentary delays, but does not include operating a commercial motor vehicle with or without the motor running when the driver has moved the vehicle to the side of, or off, a highway and is stopped in a location where the vehicle can safely remain stationary.
- (MM) "United States" means the fifty states and the District of Columbia.
- (NN) "Upgrade" means a change in the class of vehicles, endorsements, or self-certified status as described in division (A)(2) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code, that expands the ability of a current commercial driver's license holder to operate commercial motor vehicles under this chapter;
- (OO) "Vehicle" has the same meaning as in section 4511.01 of the Revised Code.

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4506.011 Actual gross weight may be used in lieu of gross vehicle weight rating to determine qualification as commercial motor vehicle.

For purposes of this chapter, the actual gross weight of a vehicle or combination of vehicles may be used in lieu of a gross vehicle weight rating to determine whether a vehicle or combination of vehicles qualifies as a commercial motor vehicle if the gross vehicle weight rating specified by the manufacturer for the vehicle or combination of vehicles is not determinable, or if the manufacturer of the vehicle has not specified a gross vehicle weight rating.

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4506.02 [Repealed].

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4506.03 Commercial driver's license or temporary instruction permit requirements.

(A) Except as provided in divisions (B) and (C) of this section, the following shall apply:

- (1) No person shall drive a commercial motor vehicle on a highway in this state unless the person holds, and has in the person's possession, a valid commercial driver's license with proper endorsements for the motor vehicle being driven, issued by the registrar of motor vehicles, a valid examiner's commercial driving permit issued under section 4506.13 of the Revised Code, a valid restricted commercial driver's license and waiver for farm-related service industries issued under section 4506.24 of the Revised Code, or a valid commercial driver's license temporary instruction permit issued by the registrar and is accompanied by an authorized state driver's license examiner or tester or a person who has been issued and has in the person's immediate possession a current, valid commercial driver's license with proper endorsements for the motor vehicle being driven.
- (2) No person shall be issued a commercial driver's license until the person surrenders to the registrar of motor vehicles all valid licenses issued to the person by another jurisdiction recognized by this state. The registrar shall report the surrender of a license to the issuing authority, together with information that a license is now issued in this state. The registrar shall destroy any such license that is not returned to the issuing authority.
- (3) No person who has been a resident of this state for thirty days or longer shall drive a commercial motor vehicle under the authority of a commercial driver's license issued by another jurisdiction.
- (B) Nothing in division (A) of this section applies to any qualified person when engaged in the operation of any of the following:
- (1) A farm truck;
- (2) Fire equipment for a fire department, volunteer or nonvolunteer fire company, fire district, or joint fire district;
- (3) A public safety vehicle used to provide transportation or emergency medical service for ill or injured persons;

(4) A recreational vehicle;

- (5) A commercial motor vehicle within the boundaries of an eligible unit of local government, if the person is employed by the eligible unit of local government and is operating the commercial motor vehicle for the purpose of removing snow or ice from a roadway by plowing, sanding, or salting, but only if either the employee who holds a commercial driver's license issued under this chapter and ordinarily operates a commercial motor vehicle for these purposes is unable to operate the vehicle, or the employing eligible unit of local government determines that a snow or ice emergency exists that requires additional assistance;
- (6) A vehicle operated for military purposes by any member or uniformed employee of the armed forces of the United States or their reserve components, including the Ohio national guard. This exception does not apply to United States reserve technicians.
- (7) A commercial motor vehicle that is operated for nonbusiness purposes. "Operated for nonbusiness purposes" means that the commercial motor vehicle is not used in commerce as "commerce" is defined in 49 C.F.R. 383.5, as amended, and is not regulated by the public utilities commission pursuant to Chapter 4919., 4921., or 4923. of the Revised Code.
- (8) A motor vehicle that is designed primarily for the transportation of goods and not persons, while that motor vehicle is being used for the occasional transportation of personal property by individuals not for compensation and not in the furtherance of a commercial enterprise;
- (9) A police SWAT team vehicle;

- (10) A police vehicle used to transport prisoners.
- (C) Nothing contained in division (B)(5) of this section shall be construed as preempting or superseding any law, rule, or regulation of this state concerning the safe operation of commercial motor vehicles.
- (D) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

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4506.04 Prohibited acts.

- (A) No person shall do any of the following:
- (1) Drive a commercial motor vehicle while having in the person's possession or otherwise under the person's control more than one valid driver's license issued by this state, any other state, or by a foreign jurisdiction;
- (2) Drive a commercial motor vehicle on a highway in this state in violation of an out-of-service order, while the person's driving privilege is suspended, revoked, or canceled, or while the person is subject to disqualification;
- (3) Drive a motor vehicle on a highway in this state under authority of a commercial driver's license issued by another state or a foreign jurisdiction, after having been a resident of this state for thirty days or longer;
- (4) Knowingly give false information in any application or certification required by section $\frac{4506.07}{100}$ of the Revised Code.
- (B) The department of public safety shall give every conviction occurring out of this state and notice of which is received after December 31, 1989, full faith and credit and treat it for sanctioning purposes under this chapter as though the conviction had occurred in this state.
- (C)(1) Whoever violates division (A)(1), (2), or (3) of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.
- (2) Whoever violates division (A)(4) of this section is guilty of falsification, a misdemeanor of the first degree. In addition, the provisions of section 4507.19 of the Revised Code apply.

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4506.05 Conditions for driving commercial motor vehicle.

- (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person may drive a commercial motor vehicle on a highway in this state if all of the following conditions are met:
- (1) The person has a valid commercial driver's license or commercial driver's license temporary instruction permit issued by any state or jurisdiction in accordance with the minimum standards adopted by the federal motor carrier safety administration under the "Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986," 100 Stat. 3207-171, 49 U.S.C.A. App. for issuance of commercial driver's licenses;
- (2) The person's commercial driver's license or permit is not suspended, revoked, or canceled;
- (3) The person is not disqualified from driving a commercial motor vehicle;
- (4) The person is not subject to an out-of-service order;
- (5) The person is medically certified as physically qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle in accordance with this chapter and is able to verify the medical certification when on duty as follows:

- (a) Prior to January 30, 2012, the person shall have in the person's possession the original or copy of the person's current medical examiner's certificate when on duty.
- (b) On or after January 30, 2012:
- (i) A person who submitted a medical examiner's certificate to the registrar in accordance with division (A)(2) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code and whose medical certification information is maintained in the commercial driver's license information system is not required to have the medical examiner's certificate in the person's possession when on duty.
- (ii) A person whose medical certification information is not maintained in the commercial driver's license information system is required to have in the person's possession when on duty the original or copy of a current medical examiner's certificate that was issued prior to January 30, 2012, except that after January 30, 2014, such person is required to have in the person's possession when on duty, the original or a copy of the current medical examiner's certificate that was submitted to the registrar, but the person may operate a commercial motor vehicle with such proof of medical certification for not more than fifteen days after the date the current medical examiner's certificate was issued to the person.
- (iii) A person who has a medical variance shall have in the person's possession the original or copy of the medical variance documentation at all times while on duty.
- (B) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

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4506.06 Issuance of temporary instruction permit.

(A) The registrar of motor vehicles, upon receiving an application for a commercial driver's temporary instruction permit, may issue the permit to any person who is at least eighteen years of age and holds a valid driver's license, other than a restricted license, issued under Chapter 4507. of the Revised Code. A commercial driver's temporary instruction permit shall not be issued for a period exceeding six months and only one renewal of a permit shall be granted in a two-year period.

The holder of a commercial driver's temporary instruction permit, unless otherwise disqualified, may drive a commercial motor vehicle when having the permit in the holder's actual possession and accompanied by a person who holds a valid commercial driver's license valid for the type of vehicle being driven and who occupies a seat beside the permit holder for the purpose of giving instruction in driving the motor vehicle.

(B) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

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4506.07 Form and contents of application for license or permit - registration as elector.

- (A) Every application for a commercial driver's license, restricted commercial driver's license, or a commercial driver's temporary instruction permit, or a duplicate of such a license, shall be made upon a form approved and furnished by the registrar of motor vehicles. Except as provided in section 4506.24 of the Revised Code in regard to a restricted commercial driver's license, the application shall be signed by the applicant and shall contain the following information:
- (1) The applicant's name, date of birth, social security account number, sex, general description including

height, weight, and color of hair and eyes, current residence, duration of residence in this state, country of citizenship, and occupation;

- (2) Whether the applicant previously has been licensed to operate a commercial motor vehicle or any other type of motor vehicle in another state or a foreign jurisdiction and, if so, when, by what state, and whether the license or driving privileges currently are suspended or revoked in any jurisdiction, or the applicant otherwise has been disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle, or is subject to an out-of-service order issued under this chapter or any similar law of another state or a foreign jurisdiction and, if so, the date of, locations involved, and reason for the suspension, revocation, disqualification, or out-of-service order;
- (3) Whether the applicant is afflicted with or suffering from any physical or mental disability or disease that prevents the applicant from exercising reasonable and ordinary control over a motor vehicle while operating it upon a highway or is or has been subject to any condition resulting in episodic impairment of consciousness or loss of muscular control and, if so, the nature and extent of the disability, disease, or condition, and the names and addresses of the physicians attending the applicant;
- (4) Whether the applicant has obtained a medical examiner's certificate as required by this chapter and, beginning January 30, 2012, the applicant, prior to or at the time of applying, has self-certified to the registrar the applicable status of the applicant under division (A)(2) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code;
- (5) Whether the applicant has pending a citation for violation of any motor vehicle law or ordinance except a parking violation and, if so, a description of the citation, the court having jurisdiction of the offense, and the date when the offense occurred;
- (6) Whether the applicant wishes to certify willingness to make an anatomical gift under section 2108.05 of the Revised Code, which shall be given no consideration in the issuance of a license;
- (7) On and after May 1, 1993, whether the applicant has executed a valid durable power of attorney for health care pursuant to sections 1337.11 to 1337.17 of the Revised Code or has executed a declaration governing the use or continuation, or the withholding or withdrawal, of life-sustaining treatment pursuant to sections 2133.01 to 2133.15 of the Revised Code and, if the applicant has executed either type of instrument, whether the applicant wishes the license issued to indicate that the applicant has executed the instrument;
- (8) On and after October 7, 2009, whether the applicant is a veteran, active duty, or reservist of the armed forces of the United States and, if the applicant is such, whether the applicant wishes the license issued to indicate that the applicant is a veteran, active duty, or reservist of the armed forces of the United States by a military designation on the license.
- (B) Every applicant shall certify, on a form approved and furnished by the registrar, all of the following:
- (1) That the motor vehicle in which the applicant intends to take the driving skills test is representative of the type of motor vehicle that the applicant expects to operate as a driver;
- (2) That the applicant is not subject to any disqualification or out-of-service order, or license suspension, revocation, or cancellation, under the laws of this state, of another state, or of a foreign jurisdiction and does not have more than one driver's license issued by this or another state or a foreign jurisdiction;
- (3) Any additional information, certification, or evidence that the registrar requires by rule in order to ensure that the issuance of a commercial driver's license to the applicant is in compliance with the law of this state and with federal law.
- (C) Every applicant shall execute a form, approved and furnished by the registrar, under which the applicant consents to the release by the registrar of information from the applicant's driving record.

- (D) The registrar or a deputy registrar, in accordance with section 3503.11 of the Revised Code, shall register as an elector any applicant for a commercial driver's license or for a renewal or duplicate of such a license under this chapter, if the applicant is eligible and wishes to be registered as an elector. The decision of an applicant whether to register as an elector shall be given no consideration in the decision of whether to issue the applicant a license or a renewal or duplicate.
- (E) The registrar or a deputy registrar, in accordance with section 3503.11 of the Revised Code, shall offer the opportunity of completing a notice of change of residence or change of name to any applicant for a commercial driver's license or for a renewal or duplicate of such a license who is a resident of this state, if the applicant is a registered elector who has changed the applicant's residence or name and has not filed such a notice.
- (F) In considering any application submitted pursuant to this section, the bureau of motor vehicles may conduct any inquiries necessary to ensure that issuance or renewal of a commercial driver's license would not violate any provision of the Revised Code or federal law.
- (G) In addition to any other information it contains, on and after October 7, 2009, the form approved and furnished by the registrar of motor vehicles for an application for a commercial driver's license, restricted commercial driver's license, or a commercial driver's temporary instruction permit or an application for a duplicate of such a license shall inform applicants that the applicant must present a copy of the applicant's DD-214 or an equivalent document in order to qualify to have the license or duplicate indicate that the applicant is a veteran, active duty, or reservist of the armed forces of the United States based on a request made pursuant to division (A)(8) of this section.

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4506.071 Effect of child support default on license or permit.

On receipt of a notice pursuant to section 3123.54 of the Revised Code, the registrar of motor vehicles shall comply with sections 3123.53 to 3123.60 of the Revised Code and any applicable rules adopted under section 3123.63 of the Revised Code with respect to a commercial driver's license or commercial driver's temporary instruction permit issued pursuant to this chapter.

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4506.08 Application and driving record information fees.

(A)(1) Each application for a commercial driver's license temporary instruction permit shall be accompanied by a fee of ten dollars. Each application for a commercial driver's license, restricted commercial driver's license, renewal of such a license, or waiver for farm-related service industries shall be accompanied by a fee of twenty-five dollars, except that an application for a commercial driver's license or restricted commercial driver's license received pursuant to division (A)(3) of section 4506.14 of the Revised Code shall be accompanied by a fee of eighteen dollars and seventy-five cents if the license will expire on the licensee's birthday three years after the date of issuance, a fee of twelve dollars and fifty cents if the license will expire on the licensee's birthday two years after the date of issuance, and a fee of six dollars and twenty-five cents if the license will expire on the licensee's birthday one year after the date of issuance. Each application for a duplicate commercial driver's license shall be accompanied by a fee of ten dollars.

- (2) In addition, the registrar of motor vehicles or deputy registrar may collect and retain an additional fee of no more than three dollars and fifty cents for each application for a commercial driver's license temporary instruction permit, commercial driver's license, renewal of a commercial driver's license, or duplicate commercial driver's license received by the registrar or deputy.
- (B) In addition to the fees imposed under division (A) of this section, the registrar of motor vehicles or deputy registrar shall collect a fee of twelve dollars for each application for a commercial driver's license temporary instruction permit, commercial driver's license, or duplicate commercial driver's license and for each application for renewal of a commercial driver's license. The additional fee is for the purpose of defraying the department of public safety's costs associated with the administration and enforcement of the motor vehicle and traffic laws of Ohio.

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Each deputy registrar shall transmit the fees collected under divisions (A)(1) and (B) of this section in the time and manner prescribed by the registrar. The registrar shall deposit all moneys received under division (C) of this section into the state highway safety fund established in section 4501.06 of the Revised Code.

(D) Information regarding the driving record of any person holding a commercial driver's license issued by this state shall be furnished by the registrar, upon request and payment of a fee of five dollars, to the employer or prospective employer of such a person and to any insurer.

Of each five-dollar fee the registrar collects under this division, the registrar shall pay two dollars into the state treasury to the credit of the state bureau of motor vehicles fund established in section 4501.25 of the Revised Code, sixty cents into the state treasury to the credit of the trauma and emergency medical services fund established in section 4513.263 of the Revised Code, sixty cents into the state treasury to the credit of the homeland security fund established in section 5502.03 of the Revised Code, thirty cents into the state treasury to the credit of the investigations fund established in section 5502.131 of the Revised Code, one dollar and twenty-five cents into the state treasury to the credit of the emergency management agency service and reimbursement fund established in section 5502.39 of the Revised Code, and twenty-five cents into the state treasury to the credit of the justice program services fund established in section 5502.67 of the Revised Code.

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4506.081 Contributions to second chance trust fund.

In addition to the fees collected under section <u>4506.08</u> of the Revised Code, the registrar or deputy registrar of motor vehicles shall ask each person applying for or renewing a commercial driver's license, restricted commercial driver's license, or duplicate whether the person wishes to make a one-dollar voluntary contribution to the second chance trust fund established under section <u>2108.34</u> of the Revised Code. The registrar or deputy registrar shall also make available to the person informational material provided by the department of health on the importance of organ, tissue, and eye donation.

All donations collected under this section during each month shall be forwarded by the registrar or deputy registrar not later than the fifth day of the immediately following month to the treasurer of state, who shall deposit them in the second chance trust fund.

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4506.09 Rules for qualification and testing of applicants.

- (A) The registrar of motor vehicles, subject to approval by the director of public safety, shall adopt rules conforming with applicable standards adopted by the federal motor carrier safety administration as regulations under Pub. L. No. 103-272, 108 Stat. 1014 to 1029 (1994), 49 U.S.C.A. 31301 to 31317. The rules shall establish requirements for the qualification and testing of persons applying for a commercial driver's license, which shall be in addition to other requirements established by this chapter. Except as provided in division (B) of this section, the highway patrol or any other employee of the department of public safety the registrar authorizes shall supervise and conduct the testing of persons applying for a commercial driver's license.
- (B) The director may adopt rules, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code and applicable requirements of the federal motor carrier safety administration, authorizing the skills test specified in this section to be administered by any person, by an agency of this or another state, or by an agency, department, or instrumentality of local government. Each party authorized under this division to administer the skills test may charge a maximum divisible fee of eighty-five dollars for each skills test given as part of a commercial driver's license examination. The fee shall consist of not more than twenty dollars for the pre-trip inspection portion of the test, not more than twenty dollars for the off-road maneuvering portion of the test, and not more than forty-five dollars for the on-road portion of the test. Each such party may require an appointment fee in the same manner provided in division (F)(2) of this section, except that the maximum amount such a party may require as an appointment fee is eighty-five dollars. The skills test administered by another party under this division shall be the same as otherwise would be administered by this state. The other party shall enter into an agreement with the director that, without limitation, does all of the following:
- (1) Allows the director or the director's representative and the federal motor carrier safety administration or its representative to conduct random examinations, inspections, and audits of the other party without prior notice;
- (2) Requires the director or the director's representative to conduct on-site inspections of the other party at least annually;
- (3) Requires that all examiners of the other party meet the same qualification and training standards as examiners of the department of public safety, to the extent necessary to conduct skills tests in the manner required by 49 C.F.R. 383.110 through 383.135;
- (4) Requires either that state employees take, at least annually and as though the employees were test applicants, the tests actually administered by the other party, that the director test a sample of drivers who were examined by the other party to compare the test results, or that state employees accompany a test applicant during an actual test;
- (5) Reserves to this state the right to take prompt and appropriate remedial action against testers of the other party if the other party fails to comply with standards of this state or federal standards for the testing program or with any other terms of the contract.
- (C) The director shall enter into an agreement with the department of education authorizing the skills test specified in this section to be administered by the department at any location operated by the department for purposes of training and testing school bus drivers, provided that the agreement between the director and the department complies with the requirements of division (B) of this section. Skills tests administered by the department shall be limited to persons applying for a commercial driver's license with a school bus endorsement.
- (D) The director shall adopt rules, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, authorizing waiver of the skills test specified in this section for any applicant for a commercial driver's license who meets all of

the following requirements:

- (1) Certifies that, during the two-year period immediately preceding application for a commercial driver's license, all of the following apply:
- (a) The applicant has not had more than one license.
- (b) The applicant has not had any license suspended, revoked, or canceled.
- (c) The applicant has not had any convictions for any type of motor vehicle for the offenses for which disqualification is prescribed in section 4506.16 of the Revised Code.
- (d) The applicant has not had any violation of a state or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control other than a parking violation arising in connection with any traffic accident and has no record of an accident in which the applicant was at fault.
- (e) The applicant has previously taken and passed a skills test given by a state with a classified licensing and testing system in which the test was behind-the-wheel in a representative vehicle for the applicant's commercial driver's license classification.
- (2) Certifies and also provides evidence that the applicant is regularly employed in a job requiring operation of a commercial motor vehicle and that one of the following applies:
- (a) The applicant has previously taken and passed a skills test given by a state with a classified licensing and testing system in which the test was behind-the-wheel in a representative vehicle for the applicant's commercial driver's license classification.
- (b) The applicant has regularly operated, for at least two years immediately preceding application for a commercial driver's license, a vehicle representative of the commercial motor vehicle the applicant operates or expects to operate.
- (E) The director shall adopt rules, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, authorizing waiver of the skills test specified in this section for any applicant for a commercial driver's license who meets all of the following requirements:
- (1) At the time of applying, is a member or uniformed employee of the armed forces of the United States or their reserve components, including the Ohio national guard, or separated from such service or employment within the preceding ninety days;
- (2) Certifies that, during the two-year period immediately preceding application for a commercial driver's license, all of the following apply:
- (a) The applicant has not had more than one license, excluding any military license.
- (b) The applicant has not had any license suspended, revoked, or canceled.
- (c) The applicant has not had any convictions for any type of motor vehicle for the offenses for which disqualification is prescribed in section 4506.16 of the Revised Code.
- (d) The applicant has not had more than one conviction for any type of motor vehicle for a serious traffic violation.
- (e) The applicant has not had any violation of a state or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control other than a parking violation arising in connection with any traffic accident and has no record of an accident in which the applicant was at fault.

- (3) In accordance with rules adopted by the director, certifies and also provides evidence of all of the following:
- (a) That the applicant is regularly employed or was regularly employed within the preceding ninety days in a military position requiring operation of a commercial motor vehicle;
- (b) That the applicant was exempt from the requirements of this chapter under division (B)(6) of section 4506.03 of the Revised Code;
- (c) That, for at least two years immediately preceding the date of application or at least two years immediately preceding the date the applicant separated from military service or employment, the applicant regularly operated a vehicle representative of the commercial motor vehicle type that the applicant operates or expects to operate.
- (F)(1) The department of public safety may charge and collect a divisible fee of fifty dollars for each skills test given as part of a commercial driver's license examination. The fee shall consist of ten dollars for the pre-trip inspection portion of the test, ten dollars for the off-road maneuvering portion of the test, and thirty dollars for the on-road portion of the test.
- (2) The director may require an applicant for a commercial driver's license who schedules an appointment with the highway patrol or other authorized employee of the department of public safety to take all portions of the skills test, to pay an appointment fee of fifty dollars at the time of scheduling the appointment. If the applicant appears at the time and location specified for the appointment and takes all portions of the skills test during that appointment, the appointment fee shall serve as the skills test fee. If the applicant schedules an appointment to take all portions of the skills test and fails to appear at the time and location specified for the appointment, no portion of the appointment fee shall be refunded. If the applicant schedules an appointment to take all portions of the skills test and appears at the time and location specified for the appointment, but declines or is unable to take all portions of the skills test, no portion of the appointment fee shall be refunded. If the applicant cancels a scheduled appointment forty-eight hours or more prior to the time of the appointment time, the applicant shall not forfeit the appointment fee.

An applicant for a commercial driver's license who schedules an appointment to take one or more, but not all, portions of the skills test shall be required to pay an appointment fee equal to the costs of each test scheduled, as prescribed in division (F)(1) of this section, when scheduling such an appointment. If the applicant appears at the time and location specified for the appointment and takes all the portions of the skills test during that appointment that the applicant was scheduled to take, the appointment fee shall serve as the skills test fee. If the applicant schedules an appointment to take one or more, but not all, portions of the skills test and fails to appear at the time and location specified for the appointment, no portion of the appointment fee shall be refunded. If the applicant schedules an appointment to take one or more, but not all, portions of the skills test and appears at the time and location specified for the appointment, but declines or is unable to take all portions of the skills test that the applicant was scheduled to take, no portion of the appointment fee shall be refunded. If the applicant cancels a scheduled appointment forty-eight hours or more prior to the time of the appointment time, the applicant shall not forfeit the appointment fee.

- (3) The department of public safety shall deposit all fees it collects under division (F) of this section in the state highway safety fund.
- (G) As used in this section, "skills test" means a test of an applicant's ability to drive the type of commercial motor vehicle for which the applicant seeks a commercial driver's license by having the applicant drive such a motor vehicle while under the supervision of an authorized state driver's license examiner or tester.

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4506.10 Physical qualifications for commercial driver's license; Compliance with federal regulations.

- (A) No person who holds a valid commercial driver's license shall drive a commercial motor vehicle unless the person is physically qualified to do so.
- (1) Prior to January 30, 2012, each person who drives or expects to drive a commercial motor vehicle in interstate or foreign commerce or is otherwise subject to 49 C.F.R. 391, et seq., as amended, shall certify to the registrar of motor vehicles at the time of application for a commercial driver's license that the person is in compliance with these standards. Any person who is not subject to 49 C.F.R. 391, et seq., as amended, also shall certify at the time of application that the person is not subject to these standards.
- (2) Beginning on January 30, 2012, any person applying for a commercial driver's license, renewing of a commercial driver's license, or transferring a commercial driver's license from out of state shall self-certify to the registrar for purposes of 49 C.F.R. 383.71, one of the following in regard to the applicant's operation of a commercial motor vehicle, as applicable:
- (a)(i) If the applicant operates or expects to operate a commercial motor vehicle in interstate or foreign commerce and is subject to and meets the requirements under 49 C.F.R. part 391, the applicant shall self-certify that the applicant is non-excepted interstate and shall provide the registrar with the original or a copy of a medical examiner's certificate and each subsequently issued medical examiner's certificate prepared by a qualified medical examiner to maintain a medically certified status on the applicant's commercial driver licensing system driver record;
- (ii) If the applicant operates or expects to operate a commercial motor vehicle in interstate commerce, but engages in transportation or operations excepted under 49 C.F.R. 390.3(f), 391.2, 391.68, or 398.3 from all or parts of the qualification requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 391, the applicant shall self-certify that the applicant is excepted interstate and is not required to obtain a medical examiner's certificate;
- (b)(i) If the applicant operates only in intrastate commerce and is subject to state driver qualification requirements, the applicant shall self-certify that the applicant is non-excepted intrastate;
- (ii) If the applicant operates only in intrastate commerce and is excepted from all or parts of the state driver qualification requirements, the applicant shall self-certify that the applicant is excepted intrastate.
- (3) Notwithstanding the expiration date on a person's commercial driver's license, every commercial driver's license holder shall provide the registrar with the certification required by this section, on or after January 30, 2012, but prior to January 30, 2014.
- (B) A person is qualified to drive a school bus if the person holds a valid commercial driver's license along with the proper endorsements, and if the person has been certified as medically qualified in accordance with rules adopted by the department of education.
- (C)(1) Except as provided in division (C)(2) of this section, any medical examination required by this section shall be performed only by one of the following:
- (a) A person licensed under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine or surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery in this state, or licensed under any similar law of another state;
- (b) A physician assistant who is authorized by the supervising physician to perform such a medical examination;

- (c) A certified nurse practitioner, a clinical nurse specialist, or a certified nurse-midwife;
- (d) A doctor of chiropractic.
- (2) Any part of an examination required by this section that pertains to visual acuity, field of vision, and the ability to recognize colors may be performed by a person licensed under Chapter 4725. of the Revised Code to practice optometry in this state, or licensed under any similar law of another state.
- (3) Any written documentation of a physical examination conducted pursuant to this section shall be completed by the individual who performed the examination on a form that substantially complies with the requirements of 49 C.F.R. 391.43(h).
- (D) Whenever good cause appears, the registrar, upon issuing a commercial driver's license under this chapter, may impose restrictions suitable to the licensee's driving ability with respect to the type of motor vehicle or special mechanical control devices required on a motor vehicle that the licensee may operate, or such other restrictions applicable to the licensee as the registrar determines to be necessary.

The registrar may either issue a special restricted license or may set forth upon the usual license form the restrictions imposed.

The registrar, upon receiving satisfactory evidence of any violation of the restrictions of the license, may impose a class D license suspension of the license for the period of time specified in division (B)(4) of section 4510.02 of the Revised Code.

The registrar, upon receiving satisfactory evidence that an applicant or holder of a commercial driver's license has violated division (A)(4) of section 4506.04 of the Revised Code and knowingly given false information in any application or certification required by section 4506.07 of the Revised Code, shall cancel the commercial driver's license of the person or any pending application from the person for a commercial driver's license for a period of at least sixty days, during which time no application for a commercial driver's license or class D driver's license shall be received from the person.

(E) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

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4506.101 Commercial driver's license not issued or retained in violation of federal law.

Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code, the bureau of motor vehicles shall not issue or renew a commercial driver's license if issuance or renewal of the license would violate federal law. No person shall retain a commercial driver's license if the retention of the license would violate federal law.

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4506.11 Material and characteristics of commercial driver's license.

(A) Every commercial driver's license shall be marked "commercial driver's license" or "CDL" and shall be of such material and so designed as to prevent its reproduction or alteration without ready detection, and, to this end, shall be laminated with a transparent plastic material. The commercial driver's license for licensees under twenty-one years of age shall have characteristics prescribed by the registrar of motor vehicles

distinguishing it from that issued to a licensee who is twenty-one years of age or older. Every commercial driver's license shall display all of the following information:

- (1) The name and residence address of the licensee;
- (2) A color photograph of the licensee showing the licensee's uncovered face;
- (3) A physical description of the licensee, including sex, height, weight, and color of eyes and hair;
- (4) The licensee's date of birth;
- (5) The licensee's social security number if the person has requested that the number be displayed in accordance with section <u>4501.31</u> of the Revised Code or if federal law requires the social security number to be displayed and any number or other identifier the director of public safety considers appropriate and establishes by rules adopted under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code and in compliance with federal law;
- (6) The licensee's signature;
- (7) The classes of commercial motor vehicles the licensee is authorized to drive and any endorsements or restrictions relating to the licensee's driving of those vehicles;
- (8) The name of this state;
- (9) The dates of issuance and of expiration of the license;
- (10) If the licensee has certified willingness to make an anatomical gift under section <u>2108.05</u> of the Revised Code, any symbol chosen by the registrar of motor vehicles to indicate that the licensee has certified that willingness;
- (11) If the licensee has executed a durable power of attorney for health care or a declaration governing the use or continuation, or the withholding or withdrawal, of life-sustaining treatment and has specified that the licensee wishes the license to indicate that the licensee has executed either type of instrument, any symbol chosen by the registrar to indicate that the licensee has executed either type of instrument;
- (12) On and after October 7, 2009, if the licensee has specified that the licensee wishes the license to indicate that the licensee is a veteran, active duty, or reservist of the armed forces of the United States and has presented a copy of the licensee's DD-214 form or an equivalent document, any symbol chosen by the registrar to indicate that the licensee is a veteran, active duty, or reservist of the armed forces of the United States;
- (13) Any other information the registrar considers advisable and requires by rule.
- (B) The registrar may establish and maintain a file of negatives of photographs taken for the purposes of this section.
- (C) Neither the registrar nor any deputy registrar shall issue a commercial driver's license to anyone under twenty-one years of age that does not have the characteristics prescribed by the registrar distinguishing it from the commercial driver's license issued to persons who are twenty-one years of age or older.
- (D) Whoever violates division (C) of this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

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4506.12 Classes of licenses - endorsements and restrictions.

- (A) Commercial driver's licenses shall be issued in the following classes and shall include any endorsements and restrictions that are applicable. Subject to any such endorsements and restrictions, the holder of a valid commercial driver's license may drive all commercial motor vehicles in the class for which that license is issued and all lesser classes of vehicles, except that the holder shall not operate a motorcycle unless the holder is licensed to do so under Chapter 4507. of the Revised Code.
- (B) The classes of commercial driver's licenses and the commercial motor vehicles that they authorize the operation of are as follows:
- (1) Class A any combination of vehicles with a combined gross vehicle weight rating of twenty-six thousand one pounds or more, if the gross vehicle weight rating of the vehicle or vehicles being towed is in excess of ten thousand pounds.
- (2) Class B any single vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of twenty-six thousand one pounds or more or any such vehicle towing a vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating that is not in excess of ten thousand pounds.
- (3) Class C any single vehicle, or combination of vehicles, that is not a class A or class B vehicle, but that is designed to transport sixteen or more passengers, including the driver, or is transporting hazardous materials in an amount requiring placarding, or any school bus with a gross vehicle weight rating of less than twenty-six thousand one pounds that is designed to transport fewer than sixteen passengers including the driver.
- (C) The following endorsements and restrictions apply to commercial drivers' licenses:
- (1) H authorizes the driver to drive a vehicle transporting hazardous materials in an amount requiring placarding;
- (2) K restricts the driver to only intrastate operation;
- (3) L restricts the driver to vehicles not equipped with air brakes;
- (4) T authorizes the driver to drive a vehicle configured with double or triple trailers that create more than one articulation point for the combination;
- (5) P authorizes the driver to drive vehicles designed to transport sixteen or more passengers, including the driver;
- (6) P1 authorizes the driver to drive class A vehicles designed for fewer than sixteen passengers, including the driver, and all lesser classes of vehicles without restriction as to the designed passenger capacity of the vehicle;
- (7) P2 authorizes the driver to drive class A or B vehicles designed for fewer than sixteen passengers, including the driver, and all lesser classes of vehicles without restriction as to the designed passenger capacity of the vehicle;
- (8) P4 Restricts the driver to driving class C school buses designed to transport fewer than sixteen passengers including the driver.
- (9) N authorizes the driver to drive tank vehicles;
- (10) S authorizes the driver to drive school buses transporting children;
- (11) X authorizes the driver to drive tank vehicles transporting hazardous materials in a quantity requiring placarding;

- (12) W restricts the driver to the operation of commercial motor vehicles in accordance with a waiver for farm-related service industries issued under section 4506.24 of the Revised Code;
- (13) V-indicates the existence of a medical variance on the driver's commercial driver's license information system driver record..
- (D) In addition to any endorsement that otherwise may apply, a person who is engaged in the towing of a disabled or wrecked motor vehicle shall hold a commercial driver's license bearing any endorsement required to drive the towed vehicle except the driver is not required to have either of the following:
- (1) A passenger endorsement to tow an unoccupied passenger vehicle;
- (2) Any endorsement required for the wrecked or disabled vehicle when the driver initially removes a vehicle from the site of the emergency where the vehicle became wrecked or disabled to the nearest appropriate repair, disposal, or storage facility, as applicable.
- (E) No person shall drive any commercial motor vehicle for which an endorsement is required under this section unless the proper endorsement appears on the person's commercial driver's license.
- (F) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

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4506.13 Examiner's commercial examinations passed form; Information obtained from and posted to commercial driver's license information system and other sources; medical certification.

- (A) The registrar of motor vehicles may authorize the highway patrol or any other employee of the department of public safety to issue an examiner's commercial examinations passed form to an applicant who has passed the required examinations. The examiner's commercial examinations passed form shall be used, once it has been validated, to indicate the examinations taken and passed by the commercial driver's license applicant.
- (B)(1) Before issuing, renewing, transferring, or upgrading a commercial driver's license, the registrar of motor vehicles shall obtain information about the applicant's driving record through the commercial driver's license information system, the applicant's state of licensure, and when available, the national driver register. In addition, beginning January 30, 2012, before issuing, renewing, transferring, or upgrading a commercial driver's license the registrar shall check the applicant's driver record to ensure that an applicant who self-certified under division (A)(2)(a)(i) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code that the applicant's operation of a commercial motor vehicle is non-excepted interstate, is medically certified.
- (2) The registrar shall not issue, renew, upgrade, or transfer the applicant's commercial driver's license if any of the following apply:
- (a) The registrar obtains adverse information regarding the applicant's driving record.
- (b) There is no information regarding the driver's self-certification type as required by division (A)(2) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code.
- (c) The applicant's medical status is not certified, when required to be certified under division (A)(2)(a)(i) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code.

- (3) If the record check reveals information that the applicant claims is outdated, contested, or invalid, the registrar shall deny the application until the applicant can resolve the conflict.
- (C)(1) Within ten days after issuing a commercial driver's license, the registrar shall notify the commercial driver's license information system, when available, of that fact and shall provide all information required to ensure identification of the licensee. If the registrar is notified that driver has been issued a medical variance, the registrar shall indicate the existence of the medical variance on the commercial driver's license holder's commercial driver's license information system driver record.
- (2) Beginning on January 30, 2012, the registrar shall do all of the following:
- (a) For those driver's self-certifying under division (A)(2)(a)(i) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code as non-excepted interstate, post the applicant's medical status as certified or non-certified on the applicant's commercial driver's license information system driver record upon receiving a valid original or copy of the medical examiner's certificate;
- (b) Post the driver's self-certification type as set forth in division (A)(2) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code;
- (c) Post information from the medical examiner's certificate, if applicable, on the commercial driver's license holder's commercial driver's license information system driver record within ten business days of issuing the commercial driver's license;
- (d) Retain the original or a copy of the commercial driver's license holder's medical certificate for a minimum of three years after the date the certificate was issued;
- (3) The registrar shall post and maintain as part of the commercial driver's license information system driver record all convictions, disqualifications, and other licensing actions for violations of any state or municipal ordinances related to motor vehicle traffic control, other than parking violations for all persons who hold a commercial driver's license or operate a motor vehicle for which a commercial driver's license is required.
- (4) Beginning January 30, 2014, the registrar shall post an applicant's status of medically non-certified on the applicant's commercial driver's license information system driver record and shall downgrade the commercial driver's license holder's commercial driver's license in accordance with division (D) of this section if either of the following applies:
- (a) The commercial driver's license holder fails to provide the driver's self-certification type as required by division (A)(2) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code.
- (b) The commercial driver's license holder self-certifying under division (A)(2)(a)(i) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code as non-excepted interstate fails to provide the registrar with a current medical examiner's certificate.
- (5) The registrar shall mark the commercial driver's license information system driver record as non-certified for any commercial driver's license holder who has not self-certified under division (A)(2) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code by January 30, 2014 and shall initiate the commercial driver's license commercial driver's license downgrade procedures described in division (D) of this section.
- (6) Beginning on January 30, 2012, within ten days after a commercial driver's license holder's medical certification status expires or a medical variance expires or is rescinded, the registrar shall update the person's medical certification status to non-certified. Within ten calendar days after receiving information from the federal motor carrier safety administration regarding issuance or renewal of a medical variance for a driver, the registrar shall update the driver's commercial driver's license information system driver record to include the medical variance information provided by the federal motor carrier safety administration.

- (D) If a driver's medical certification or medical variance expires or the federal motor carrier safety administration notifies the registrar that a medical variance was removed or rescinded, the registrar shall do the following:
- (1) Send notice to the commercial driver's license holder of the holder's medically not certified status. The notice shall inform the driver that the driver's commercial driver's license privileges will be removed unless the driver resolves the medical certification or medical variance defect by submitting a current medical certificate or medical variance, as applicable, or changing the driver's self-certification under division (A)(2) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code to driving only in excepted interstate or excepted intrastate commerce within sixty days.
- (2) Sixty days after the change to a medically not certified status, if the commercial driver's license holder has not resolved the medical certification or medical variance defect as described in division (D)(1) of this section, the registrar shall change the person's commercial driver's license status to reflect no commercial driver's license privileges and shall send the person a second notice informing the person that the commercial driver's license privilege has been removed from the driver's license and that, unless the driver resolves the medical certification or medical variance defect by submitting a current medical certificate or medical variance, as applicable, or changing the driver's self-certification under division (A)(2) of section 4506.10 of the Revised Code to driving only in excepted interstate or excepted intrastate commerce within one hundred eighty days, the person's commercial driver's license will be downgraded to a noncommercial driver's license class of license.

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4506.131 Hazardous materials endorsement for commercial driver's license; Security risk determination required.

- (A) The registrar of motor vehicles shall not issue, renew, upgrade, or transfer a hazardous materials endorsement for a commercial driver's license to any individual authorizing that individual to operate a commercial motor vehicle transporting a hazardous material in commerce unless the registrar has received from the transportation security administration a determination indicating that the individual does not pose a security risk warranting denial of the endorsement.
- (B)(1) Immediately upon receiving a determination from the transportation security administration that an individual poses a security risk warranting denial of a hazardous materials endorsement, the registrar shall revoke any existing hazardous materials endorsement and shall refuse to issue a hazardous materials endorsement for the individual named as a security risk.
- (2) Within fifteen days of receiving any determination from the transportation security administration indicating the status of an individual's security risk, the registrar shall notify the commercial driver license information system of the results of the security assessment.
- (C) The registrar shall order any revocation under division (B) of this section without a hearing. Any person adversely affected by the order may request an administrative hearing before the registrar. The scope of the hearing shall be limited to whether the bureau of motor vehicles properly revoked the hazardous material endorsement after receiving notification from the transportation security administration and shall not include consideration of whether the transportation security administration acted properly in sending the notification.

Added by 129th General Assembly File No. 71, HB 337, § 1, eff. 1/27/2012.

4506.14 Expiration or renewal of license - notice to registrar of

change of address.

- (A) Commercial driver's licenses shall expire as follows:
- (1) Except as provided in division (A)(3) or (4) of this section, each such license issued to replace an operator's or chauffeur's license shall expire on the original expiration date of the operator's or chauffeur's license and, upon renewal, shall expire on the licensee's birthday in the fourth year after the date of issuance.
- (2) Except as provided in division (A)(3) or (4) of this section, each such license issued as an original license to a person whose residence is in this state shall expire on the licensee's birthday in the fourth year after the date of issuance, and each such license issued to a person whose temporary residence is in this state shall expire in accordance with rules adopted by the registrar of motor vehicles. A license issued to a person with a temporary residence in this state is nonrenewable, but may be replaced with a new license within ninety days prior to its expiration upon the applicant's compliance with all applicable requirements.
- (3) The registrar or a deputy registrar may issue a license that expires on a date earlier than the licensee's birthday in the fourth year after the date of issuance if the licensee has undergone a security threat assessment required by federal law to obtain a hazardous materials endorsement and the assessment will expire before that date.
- (4) Each such license issued to replace the operator's or chauffeur's license of a person who is less than twenty-one years of age, and each such license issued as an original license to a person who is less than twenty-one years of age, shall expire on the licensee's twenty-first birthday.
- (B) No commercial driver's license shall be issued for a period longer than four years and one hundred eighty days. Except as provided in section 4507.12 of the Revised Code, the registrar may waive the examination of any person applying for the renewal of a commercial driver's license issued under this chapter, provided that the applicant presents either an unexpired commercial driver's license or a commercial driver's license that has expired not more than six months prior to the date of application.
- (C) Subject to the requirements of this chapter and except as provided in division (A)(2) of this section in regard to a person whose temporary residence is in this state, every commercial driver's license shall be renewable one hundred eighty days before its expiration upon payment of the fees required by section 4506.08 of the Revised Code. Each person applying for renewal or transfer of a commercial driver's license shall complete the application form prescribed by section 4506.07 of the Revised Code and shall provide all certifications required. Beginning on January 30, 2012, prior to applying for renewal of a commercial driver's license, each applicant shall submit a new copy or original medical examiner's certificate required by section 4506.10 of the Revised Code; if the person's medical status has changed, the registrar shall take the appropriate action to address the change in medical status. If the person wishes to retain an endorsement authorizing the person to transport hazardous materials, the person shall take and successfully complete the written test for the endorsement and shall submit to any background check required by federal law.
- (D) Each person licensed as a driver under this chapter shall notify the registrar of any change in the person's address within ten days following that change. The notification shall be in writing on a form provided by the registrar and shall include the full name, date of birth, license number, county of residence, social security number, and new address of the person.
- (E) Whoever violates division (D) of this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

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4506.15 Prohibited acts.

- (A) No person who holds a commercial driver's license or operates a motor vehicle for which a commercial driver's license is required shall do any of the following:
- (1) Drive a commercial motor vehicle while having a measurable or detectable amount of alcohol or of a controlled substance in the person's blood, breath, or urine;
- (2) Drive a commercial motor vehicle while having an alcohol concentration of four-hundredths of one per cent or more by whole blood or breath;
- (3) Drive a commercial motor vehicle while having an alcohol concentration of forty-eight-thousandths of one per cent or more by blood serum or blood plasma;
- (4) Drive a commercial motor vehicle while having an alcohol concentration of fifty-six-thousandths of one per cent or more by urine;
- (5) Drive a motor vehicle while under the influence of a controlled substance;
- (6) Drive a motor vehicle in violation of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code or a municipal OVI ordinance as defined in section 4511.181 of the Revised Code;
- (7) Use a motor vehicle in the commission of a felony;
- (8) Refuse to submit to a test under section 4506.17 or 4511.191 of the Revised Code;
- (9) Operate a commercial motor vehicle while the person's commercial driving privileges are revoked, suspended, canceled, or disqualified;
- (10) Cause a fatality through the negligent operation of a commercial motor vehicle, including, but not limited to, the offenses of aggravated vehicular homicide, vehicular homicide, and vehicular manslaughter;
- (11) Fail to stop after an accident in violation of sections 4549.02 to 4549.03 of the Revised Code;
- (12) Drive a commercial motor vehicle in violation of any provision of sections 4511.61 to 4511.63 of the Revised Code or any federal or local law or ordinance pertaining to railroad-highway grade crossings;
- (13) Use a motor vehicle in the commission of a felony involving the manufacture, distribution, or dispensing of a controlled substance as defined in section 3719.01 of the Revised Code or the possession with intent to manufacture, distribute, or dispense a controlled substance.
- (B) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

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<u>4506.16 Violations - disqualification of driver or placement out-of-</u> service.

- (A) Any person who is found to have been convicted of a violation of an out-of-service order shall be disqualified by the registrar of motor vehicles as follows:
- (1) If the person has not been convicted previously of a violation of an out-of-service order, the period of disqualification is one hundred eighty days.

- (2) If, during any ten-year period, the driver is convicted of a second violation of an out-of-service order in an incident separate from the incident that resulted in the first violation, the period of disqualification is two years.
- (3) If, during any ten-year period, the driver is convicted of a third or subsequent violation of an out-of-service order in an incident separate from the incidents that resulted in the previous violations during that ten-year period, the period of disqualification is three years.
- (B)(1) A driver is disqualified for one hundred eighty days if the driver is convicted of a first violation of an out-of-service order while transporting hazardous materials required to be placarded under the "Hazardous Materials Transportation Act," 88 Stat. 2156 (1975), 49 U.S.C.A. 1801, as amended, or while operating a motor vehicle designed to transport sixteen or more passengers, including the driver.
- (2) A driver is disqualified for a period of three years if, during any ten-year period, the driver is convicted of a second or subsequent violation, in an incident separate from the incident that resulted in a previous violation during that ten-year period, of an out-of-service order while transporting hazardous materials required to be placarded under that act, or while operating a motor vehicle designed to transport sixteen or more passengers, including the driver.
- (C) Whoever violates division (A)(1) of section 4506.15 of the Revised Code or a similar law of another state or a foreign jurisdiction, immediately shall be placed out-of-service for twenty-four hours, in addition to any disqualification required by this section and any other penalty imposed by the Revised Code.
- (D) The registrar of motor vehicles shall disqualify any holder of a commercial driver's license, or any operator of a commercial motor vehicle for which a commercial driver's license is required, from operating a commercial motor vehicle as follows:
- (1) Upon a first conviction for a violation of any provision of divisions (A)(2) to (12) of section 4506.15 of the Revised Code or a similar law of another state or a foreign jurisdiction, or upon a first suspension imposed under section 4511.191 of the Revised Code or a similar law of another state or foreign jurisdiction, one year;
- (2) Upon a second conviction for a violation of any provision of divisions (A)(2) to (12) of section 4506.15 of the Revised Code or a similar law of another state or a foreign jurisdiction, or upon a second suspension imposed under section 4511.191 of the Revised Code or a similar law of another state or foreign jurisdiction, or any combination of such violations arising from two or more separate incidents, the person shall be disqualified for life or for any other period of time as determined by the United States secretary of transportation and designated by the director of public safety by rule;
- (3) Upon a first conviction for any of the following violations while transporting hazardous materials, three years:
- (a) Divisions (A)(2) to (12) of section 4506.15 of the Revised Code;
- (b) A similar law of another state or a foreign jurisdiction.
- (4) Upon conviction of a violation of division (A)(13) of section 4506.15 of the Revised Code or a similar law of another state or a foreign jurisdiction, the person shall be disqualified for life;
- (5)(a) Upon conviction of two serious traffic violations involving the operation of a commercial motor vehicle by the person and arising from separate incidents occurring in a three-year period, the person shall be disqualified for sixty days, which disqualification shall be imposed consecutively to any other separate disqualification imposed under division (D)(5) or (6) of this section;

- (b) Upon conviction of three serious traffic violations involving the operation of a commercial motor vehicle by the person and arising from separate incidents occurring in a three-year period, the person shall be disqualified for one hundred twenty days, which disqualification shall be imposed consecutively to any other separate disqualification imposed under division (D)(5) or (6) of this section;
- (6)(a) Upon conviction of two serious traffic violations involving the operation of a vehicle other than a commercial motor vehicle by the person and arising from separate incidents occurring in a three-year period, the person shall be disqualified for sixty days if the conviction results in the suspension, cancellation, or revocation of the holder's commercial driver's license or noncommercial motor vehicle driving privileges, which disqualification shall be imposed consecutively to any other separate disqualification imposed under division (D)(5) or (6) of this section;
- (b) Upon conviction of three serious traffic violations involving the operation of a vehicle other than a commercial motor vehicle by the person and arising from separate incidents occurring in a three-year period, the person shall be disqualified for one hundred twenty days if the conviction results in the suspension, cancellation, or revocation of the holder's commercial driver's license or noncommercial motor vehicle driving privileges, which disqualification shall be imposed consecutively to any other separate disqualification imposed under division (D)(5) or (6) of this section.
- (7) Upon a first conviction involving the operation of a commercial motor vehicle in violation of any provisions of sections 4511.61 to 4511.63 of the Revised Code or a similar law of another state or foreign jurisdiction, not less than sixty days;
- (8) Upon a second conviction involving the operation of a commercial motor vehicle in violation of any provisions of sections 4511.61 to 4511.63 of the Revised Code or a similar law of another state or foreign jurisdiction within three years of the first such conviction, not less than one hundred twenty days;
- (9) Upon a third or subsequent conviction involving the operation of a commercial motor vehicle in violation of any provisions of sections 4511.61 to 4511.63 of the Revised Code or a similar law of another state or foreign jurisdiction within three years of the first such conviction, not less than one year;
- (10) Upon receiving notification from the federal motor carrier safety administration, the registrar immediately, prior to any hearing, shall disqualify any commercial motor vehicle driver whose driving is determined to constitute an imminent hazard as defined under federal motor carrier safety regulation 49 C.F.R. 383.52.
- (E) For the purposes of this section, conviction of a violation for which disqualification is required includes conviction under any municipal ordinance that is substantially similar to any section of the Revised Code that is set forth in division (D) of this section and may be evidenced by any of the following:
- (1) A judgment entry of a court of competent jurisdiction in this or any other state;
- (2) An administrative order of a state agency of this or any other state having statutory jurisdiction over commercial drivers;
- (3) A computer record obtained from or through the commercial driver's license information system;
- (4) A computer record obtained from or through a state agency of this or any other state having statutory jurisdiction over commercial drivers or the records of commercial drivers.
- (F) For purposes of this section, conviction of disqualifying offenses committed in a noncommercial motor vehicle are included if either of the following applies:
- (1) The offense occurred after the person obtained the person's commercial driver's license.

- (2) The offense occurs on or after September 30, 2005.
- (G) If a person commits a serious traffic violation by operating a commercial motor vehicle without having a commercial driver's license in the person's possession as described in division (GG)(3)(e) of section 4506.01 of the Revised Code and the person then submits proof to either the enforcement agency that issued the citation for the violation or to the court with jurisdiction over the case before the date of the person's initial appearance that shows that the person held a valid commercial driver's license at the time of the violation, the violation shall not be deemed to be a serious traffic violation.
- (H) Any record described in division (C) of this section shall be deemed to be self-authenticating when it is received by the bureau of motor vehicles.
- (I) When disqualifying a driver, the registrar shall cause the records of the bureau to be updated to reflect that action within ten days after it occurs.
- (J) The registrar immediately shall notify a driver who is finally convicted of any offense described in section 4506.15 of the Revised Code or division (B)(4), (5), or (6) of this section and thereby is subject to disqualification, of the offense or offenses involved, of the length of time for which disqualification is to be imposed, and that the driver may request a hearing within thirty days of the mailing of the notice to show cause why the driver should not be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle. If a request for such a hearing is not made within thirty days of the mailing of the notice, the order of disqualification is final. The registrar may designate hearing examiners who, after affording all parties reasonable notice, shall conduct a hearing to determine whether the disqualification order is supported by reliable evidence. The registrar shall adopt rules to implement this division.
- (K) Any person who is disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle under this section may apply to the registrar for a driver's license to operate a motor vehicle other than a commercial motor vehicle, provided the person's commercial driver's license is not otherwise suspended. A person whose commercial driver's license is suspended shall not apply to the registrar for or receive a driver's license under Chapter 4507. of the Revised Code during the period of suspension.
- (L) The disqualifications imposed under this section are in addition to any other penalty imposed by the Revised Code.

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4506.161 Limited driving privileges not granted to person under suspension; offenses involving operation of commercial motor vehichle.

No court shall issue an order granting limited driving privileges for operation of a commercial motor vehicle to any person whose driver's license or commercial driver's license has been suspended or who has been disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle. In regard to an offense involving the operation of a commercial motor vehicle, no court shall modify any record, or consent to the modification of any record, if the resulting record would no longer reflect the operation of a commercial motor vehicle by the person, unless a determination of the facts indicates that that person was not operating a commercial motor vehicle at the time of the offense.

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4506.17 Implied consent to tests - effect of refusal.

- (A) Any person who holds a commercial driver's license or operates a commercial motor vehicle requiring a commercial driver's license within this state shall be deemed to have given consent to a test or tests of the person's whole blood, blood serum or plasma, breath, or urine for the purpose of determining the person's alcohol concentration or the presence of any controlled substance or a metabolite of a controlled substance.
- (B) A test or tests as provided in division (A) of this section may be administered at the direction of a peace officer having reasonable ground to stop or detain the person and, after investigating the circumstances surrounding the operation of the commercial motor vehicle, also having reasonable ground to believe the person was driving the commercial vehicle while having a measurable or detectable amount of alcohol or of a controlled substance or a metabolite of a controlled substance in the person's whole blood, blood serum or plasma, breath, or urine. Any such test shall be given within two hours of the time of the alleged violation.
- (C) A person requested to submit to a test under division (A) of this section shall be advised by the peace officer requesting the test that a refusal to submit to the test will result in the person immediately being placed out-of-service for a period of twenty-four hours and being disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of not less than one year, and that the person is required to surrender the person's commercial driver's license to the peace officer.
- (D) If a person refuses to submit to a test after being warned as provided in division (C) of this section or submits to a test that discloses the presence of an amount of alcohol or a controlled substance prohibited by divisions (A)(1) to (5) of section 4506.15 of the Revised Code or a metabolite of a controlled substance, the person immediately shall surrender the person's commercial driver's license to the peace officer. The peace officer shall forward the license, together with a sworn report, to the registrar of motor vehicles certifying that the test was requested pursuant to division (A) of this section and that the person either refused to submit to testing or submitted to a test that disclosed the presence of one of the prohibited concentrations of a substance listed in divisions (A)(1) to (5) of section 4506.15 of the Revised Code or a metabolite of a controlled substance. The form and contents of the report required by this section shall be established by the registrar by rule, but shall contain the advice to be read to the driver and a statement to be signed by the driver acknowledging that the driver has been read the advice and that the form was shown to the driver.
- (E) Upon receipt of a sworn report from a peace officer as provided in division (D) of this section, or upon receipt of notification that a person has been disqualified under a similar law of another state or foreign jurisdiction, the registrar shall disqualify the person named in the report from driving a commercial motor vehicle for the period described below:
- (1) Upon a first incident, one year;
- (2) Upon an incident of refusal or of a prohibited concentration of alcohol, a controlled substance, or a metabolite of a controlled substance after one or more previous incidents of either refusal or of a prohibited concentration of alcohol, a controlled substance, or a metabolite of a controlled substance, the person shall be disqualified for life or such lesser period as prescribed by rule by the registrar.
- (F) A test of a person's whole blood or a person's blood serum or plasma given under this section shall comply with the applicable provisions of division (D) of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code and any physician, registered nurse, emergency medical technician-intermediate, emergency medical technician-paramedic, or qualified technician, chemist, or phlebotomist who withdraws whole blood or blood serum or plasma from a person under this section, and any hospital, first-aid station, clinic, or other facility at which whole blood or blood serum or plasma is withdrawn from a person pursuant to this section, is immune from criminal liability, and from civil liability that is based upon a claim of assault and battery or based upon any other claim of malpractice, for any act performed in withdrawing whole blood or blood serum or plasma from

the person. The immunity provided in this division also extends to an emergency medical service organization that employs an emergency medical technician-intermediate or emergency medical technician-paramedic who withdraws blood under this section.

- (G) When a person submits to a test under this section, the results of the test, at the person's request, shall be made available to the person, the person's attorney, or the person's agent, immediately upon completion of the chemical test analysis. The person also may have an additional test administered by a physician, a registered nurse, or a qualified technician, chemist, or phlebotomist of the person's own choosing as provided in division (D) of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code for tests administered under that section, and the failure to obtain such a test has the same effect as in that division.
- (H) No person shall refuse to immediately surrender the person's commercial driver's license to a peace officer when required to do so by this section.
- (I) A peace officer issuing an out-of-service order or receiving a commercial driver's license surrendered under this section may remove or arrange for the removal of any commercial motor vehicle affected by the issuance of that order or the surrender of that license.
- (J)(1) Except for civil actions arising out of the operation of a motor vehicle and civil actions in which the state is a plaintiff, no peace officer of any law enforcement agency within this state is liable in compensatory damages in any civil action that arises under the Revised Code or common law of this state for an injury, death, or loss to person or property caused in the performance of official duties under this section and rules adopted under this section, unless the officer's actions were manifestly outside the scope of the officer's employment or official responsibilities, or unless the officer acted with malicious purpose, in bad faith, or in a wanton or reckless manner.
- (2) Except for civil actions that arise out of the operation of a motor vehicle and civil actions in which the state is a plaintiff, no peace officer of any law enforcement agency within this state is liable in punitive or exemplary damages in any civil action that arises under the Revised Code or common law of this state for any injury, death, or loss to person or property caused in the performance of official duties under this section of the Revised Code and rules adopted under this section, unless the officer's actions were manifestly outside the scope of the officer's employment or official responsibilities, or unless the officer acted with malicious purpose, in bad faith, or in a wanton or reckless manner.
- (K) When disqualifying a driver, the registrar shall cause the records of the bureau of motor vehicles to be updated to reflect the disqualification within ten days after it occurs.
- (L) The registrar immediately shall notify a driver who is subject to disqualification of the disqualification, of the length of the disqualification, and that the driver may request a hearing within thirty days of the mailing of the notice to show cause why the driver should not be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle. If a request for such a hearing is not made within thirty days of the mailing of the notice, the order of disqualification is final. The registrar may designate hearing examiners who, after affording all parties reasonable notice, shall conduct a hearing to determine whether the disqualification order is supported by reliable evidence. The registrar shall adopt rules to implement this division.
- (M) Any person who is disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle under this section may apply to the registrar for a driver's license to operate a motor vehicle other than a commercial motor vehicle, provided the person's commercial driver's license is not otherwise suspended. A person whose commercial driver's license is suspended shall not apply to the registrar for or receive a driver's license under Chapter 4507. of the Revised Code during the period of suspension.
- (N) Whoever violates division (H) of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

(O) As used in this section, "emergency medical technician-intermediate" and "emergency medical technician-paramedic" have the same meanings as in section 4765.01 of the Revised Code.

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4506.18 Driver to give notice of out-of-state conviction.

(A) Any driver who holds a commercial driver's license issued by this state and is convicted in another state or a foreign jurisdiction of violating any law or ordinance relating to motor vehicle traffic control, other than a parking violation, shall provide written notice of that conviction within thirty days after the date of conviction to the bureau of motor vehicles and to the driver's employer in accordance with the provisions of 49 C.F.R. 383, subpart C, as amended.

(B) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

Effective Date: 01-01-2004

4506.19 Application of provisions of 49 C.F.R. 383, subpart C.

(A) The provisions of 49 C.F.R. 383, subpart C, as amended, shall apply to all commercial drivers or persons who apply for employment as commercial drivers. No person shall fail to make a report to the person's employer as required by this section.

(B) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

Effective Date: 01-01-2004

4506.20 Duties of employer of commercial motor vehicle driver.

(A) Each employer shall require every applicant for employment as a driver of a commercial motor vehicle to provide the applicant's employment history for the ten years preceding the date the employment application is submitted to the prospective employer. The following information shall be submitted:

- (1) A list of the names and addresses of the applicant's previous employers for which the applicant was the operator of a commercial motor vehicle;
- (2) The dates the applicant was employed by these employers;
- (3) The reason for leaving each of these employers.
- (B) No employer shall knowingly permit or authorize any driver employed by the employer to drive a commercial motor vehicle during any period in which any of the following apply:
- (1) The driver's commercial driver's license is suspended, revoked, or canceled by any state or a foreign jurisdiction;
- (2) The driver has lost the privilege to drive, or currently is disqualified from driving, a commercial motor vehicle in any state or foreign jurisdiction;
- (3) The driver, the commercial motor vehicle the driver is driving, or the motor carrier operation is subject to an out-of-service order in any state or foreign jurisdiction;

- (4) The driver has more than one driver's license.
- (C) No employer shall knowingly permit or authorize a driver to operate a commercial motor vehicle in violation of section 4506.15 of the Revised Code.
- (D)(1) Whoever violates division (A) or (B) of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.
- (2) Whoever violates division (C) of this section may be assessed a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars.

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4506.21 Notice of conviction of nonresident license holder.

Within ten days after receiving a report of the conviction of any nonresident for a violation of a state law or local ordinance or resolution relating to traffic control, other than parking violations, committed in a commercial motor vehicle, the registrar of motor vehicles shall notify the driver licensing authority in the jurisdiction in which the person resides and the driver licensing authority that issued the nonresident's commercial driver's license, if different from the state of residence.

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Effective Date: 07-01-1989

4506.22 Powers and duties of department of public safety.

- (A) The director of public safety and the registrar of motor vehicles, subject to approval by the director, may, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, adopt any rules necessary to carry out this chapter.
- (B) The department of public safety may do all of the following:
- (1) Enter into or make any agreements, arrangements, or declarations necessary to carry out this chapter;
- (2) Charge a fee for all publications that is equal to the cost of printing the publications.
- (C) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to restrict the authority of the public utilities commission specified in Chapters 4921. and 4923. of the Revised Code regarding safety rules applicable to motor carriers.

Effective Date: 10-29-1995

4506.23 Duties of peace officer as to alcohol or controlled substance violations.

Within the jurisdictional limits of the appointing authority, any peace officer shall stop and detain any person found violating section <u>4506.15</u> of the Revised Code, without obtaining a warrant. When there is reasonable ground to believe that a violation of section <u>4506.15</u> of the Revised Code has been committed and a test or tests of the person's whole blood, blood plasma or blood serum, breath, or urine is necessary, the peace officer shall take the person to an appropriate place for testing. If a person refuses to submit to a test after being warned as provided in division (C) of section <u>4506.17</u> of the Revised Code or submits to a test that discloses the presence of a controlled substance or an alcohol concentration of four-hundredths of one per cent or more by whole blood or breath, an alcohol concentration of forty-eight-thousandths of one per cent or more by urine, the peace officer shall require that the person immediately surrender the person's commercial driver's license to the peace officer.

As used in this section, "jurisdictional limits" means the limits within which a peace officer may arrest and

detain a person without a warrant under section <u>2935.03</u> of the Revised Code, except that the superintendent and the troopers of the state highway patrol may stop and detain, without warrant, any person who, in the presence of the superintendent or any trooper, is engaged in the violation of this chapter.

Effective Date: 08-08-1991; 03-29-2005

4506.24 Restricted license and waiver for farm-related service industries.

- (A) A restricted commercial driver's license and waiver for farm-related service industries may be issued by the registrar of motor vehicles to allow a person to operate a commercial motor vehicle during seasonal periods determined by the registrar and subject to the restrictions set forth in this section.
- (B) Upon receiving an application for a restricted commercial driver's license under section $\frac{4506.07}{1000}$ of the Revised Code and payment of a fee as provided in section $\frac{4506.08}{1000}$ of the Revised Code, the registrar may issue such license to any person who meets all of the following requirements:
- (1) Has at least one year of driving experience in any type of vehicle;
- (2) Holds a valid driver's license, other than a restricted license, issued under Chapter 4507. of the Revised Code;
- (3) Certifies that during the two-year period immediately preceding application, all of the following apply:
- (a) The person has not had more than one license;
- (b) The person has not had any license suspended, revoked, or canceled;
- (c) The person has not had any convictions for any type of motor vehicle for the offenses for which disqualification is prescribed in section 4506.16 of the Revised Code;
- (d) The person has not had any violation of a state or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control other than a parking violation arising in connection with any traffic accident and has no record of an accident in which the person was at fault.
- (4) Certifies and also provides evidence that the person is employed in one or more of the following farm-related service industries requiring the person to operate a commercial motor vehicle:
- (a) Custom harvesters;
- (b) Farm retail outlets and suppliers;
- (c) Agri-chemical business;
- (d) Livestock feeders.
- (C) An annual waiver for farm-related service industries may be issued to authorize the holder of a restricted commercial driver's license to operate a commercial motor vehicle during seasonal periods designated by the registrar. The registrar shall determine the format of the waiver. The total number of days that a person may operate a commercial motor vehicle pursuant to a waiver for farm-related service industries shall not exceed one hundred eighty days in any twelve-month period. Each time the holder of a restricted commercial driver's license applies for a waiver for farm-related service industries, the registrar shall verify that the person meets all of the requirements set forth in division (B) of this section. The restricted commercial driver's license and waiver shall be carried at all times when a commercial motor vehicle is being operated by the holder of the license and waiver.

- (D) The holder of a restricted commercial driver's license and valid waiver for farm-related service industries may operate a class B or C commercial motor vehicle subject to all of the following restrictions:
- (1) The commercial motor vehicle is operated within a distance of no more than one hundred fifty miles of the employer's place of business or the farm currently being served;
- (2) The operation of the commercial motor vehicle does not involve transporting hazardous materials for which placarding is required, except as follows:
- (a) Diesel fuel in quantities of one thousand gallons or less;
- (b) Liquid fertilizers in vehicles or implements of husbandry with total capacities of three thousand gallons or less;
- (c) Solid fertilizers that are not transported with any organic substance.
- (E) Except as otherwise provided in this section an applicant for or holder of a restricted commercial driver's license and waiver for farm-related service industries is subject to the provisions of this chapter. Divisions (A)(4) and (B)(1) of section $\underline{4506.07}$ and sections $\underline{4506.09}$ and $\underline{4506.10}$ of the Revised Code do not apply to an applicant for a restricted commercial driver's license and waiver.

Effective Date: 09-26-2003

4506.25 Registrar to disqualify person convicted of violation of out-of-service order.

(A) As used in this section

- , "commercial motor vehicle" means any self-propelled or towed vehicle used on public highways in intrastate or interstate commerce to transport passengers or property that meets any of the following specifications:
- (1) The vehicle has a gross vehicle weight rating or gross combination weight rating of ten thousand one pounds or more.
- (2) The vehicle is designed to transport sixteen or more passengers, including the driver.
- (3) The vehicle is used in the transportation of hazardous materials in a quantity requiring placarding under the regulations issued by the United States secretary of transportation under the "Hazardous Materials Transportation Act," 88 Stat. 2156 (1975), 49 U.S.C.A. 1801, as amended.
- (B) The registrar of motor vehicles shall disqualify any person from operating a commercial motor vehicle who receives a notice of a conviction for violation of an out-of-service order issued under rules of the public utilities commission adopted pursuant to section <u>4919.79</u>, <u>4921.04</u>, or <u>4923.20</u> of the Revised Code, or a conviction for a violation of the same or similar laws of another state or jurisdiction applicable to vehicles in regulated commerce.

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4506.26 [Repealed].

Effective Date: 07-29-1998; 03-29-2005

4506.99 Penalty.

Whoever violates any provision of sections $\underline{4506.03}$ to $\underline{4506.20}$ of the Revised Code for which no penalty otherwise is provided in the section that contains the provision violated is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

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