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Short Title: Remote License Renewal/Active Duty Military.

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Referred to:

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT AUTHORIZING CONSECUTIVE REMOTE DRIVERS LICENSE RENEWALS
3 FOR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY AND THEIR SPOUSES AND DEPENDENTS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 SECTION 1. G.S. 20-7 reads as rewritten:

6 "§ 20-7. Issuance and renewal of drivers licenses.

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8 (f) Duration and Renewal of Licenses. – Drivers licenses shall be issued and renewed
9 pursuant to the provisions of this subsection:

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11 (6) Remote renewal or conversion. – Subject to the following requirements and
12 limitations, the Division may offer remote renewal of a drivers license or
13 remote conversion of a full provisional license issued by the Division:

14 a. Requirements. – To be eligible for remote renewal or conversion under
15 this subdivision, a person must meet all of the following requirements:

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17 4. For a remote renewal, the most recent renewal was an
18 in-person renewal and not a remote renewal under this
19 ~~subdivision~~ subdivision, except that an active duty member of
20 the Armed Forces of the United States or a reserve component
21 of the Armed Forces of the United States, who is stationed
22 outside of this State, and the member's spouse and dependent
23 children may remotely renew a license a second consecutive
24 time if either of the following applies:

25 I. The license being renewed is not REAL ID compliant
26 pursuant to the REAL ID Act of 2005, 49 U.S.C. §
27 30301.

28 II. The license being renewed is REAL ID compliant but
29 is being converted to a non-REAL ID compliant license
30 for purposes of the renewal.

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32 SECTION 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 2025, and applies to licenses
33 renewed on or after that date.



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