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S.B. No. 1258

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the issuance or renewal of a commercial driver's  
3 license and the expiration of a commercial driver's license or  
4 commercial driver learner's permit.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 522.042, Transportation  
7 Code, is amended to read as follows:

8 (a) The department may issue a commercial driver's license  
9 with endorsements:

10 (1) authorizing the driving of a vehicle transporting  
11 hazardous materials, subject to the requirements of Title 49 C.F.R.  
12 Part 1572;

13 (2) authorizing the towing of a double or triple  
14 trailer or a trailer over a specified weight;

15 (3) authorizing the driving of a vehicle carrying  
16 passengers;

17 (4) authorizing the driving of a tank vehicle;

18 (5) representing a combination of hazardous materials  
19 and tank vehicle endorsements; or

20 (6) authorizing the driving of a school bus, as  
21 defined by Section 541.201.

22 SECTION 2. Subsections (a) through (d), Section 522.051,  
23 Transportation Code, are amended to read as follows:

24 (a) Except as provided by Section 522.033, an original

1 commercial driver's license or commercial driver learner's permit  
2 expires five [~~six~~] years after the applicant's next birthday.

3 (b) A commercial driver's license or commercial driver  
4 learner's permit issued to a person holding a Texas Class A, B, C,  
5 or M license that would expire one year or more after the date of  
6 issuance of the commercial driver's license or commercial driver  
7 learner's permit expires five [~~six~~] years after the applicant's  
8 next birthday.

9 (c) A commercial driver's license or commercial driver  
10 learner's permit issued to a person holding a Texas Class A, B, C,  
11 or M license that would expire less than one year after the date of  
12 issuance of the commercial driver's license or commercial driver  
13 learner's permit or that has been expired for less than one year  
14 expires five [~~six~~] years after the expiration date shown on the  
15 Class A, B, C, or M license.

16 (d) A commercial driver's license or commercial driver  
17 learner's permit issued to a person holding a Texas Class A, B, C,  
18 or M license that has been expired for at least one year but not more  
19 than two years expires five [~~six~~] years after the applicant's last  
20 birthday.

21 SECTION 3. Subsection (b), Section 522.052, Transportation  
22 Code, is amended to read as follows:

23 (b) A renewal of a commercial driver's license that has been  
24 expired for less than one year expires five [~~six~~] years after the  
25 expiration date shown on the commercial driver's license.

26 SECTION 4. (a) The change in law made by this Act applies  
27 only to a commercial driver's license or commercial driver

1 learner's permit that is issued or renewed on or after the effective  
2 date of this Act.

3 (b) A commercial driver's license or commercial driver  
4 learner's permit that was issued or renewed before the effective  
5 date of this Act is covered by the law in effect immediately before  
6 the effective date of this Act, and the former law is continued in  
7 effect for that purpose.

8 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.