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By:  Bernal H.B. No. 180

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a waiver of fees for foster care and homeless youth for driver's licenses and personal identification certificates.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter E, Chapter 521, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 521.1015 to read as follows:

Sec. 521.1015.  WAIVER OF FEES FOR FOSTER CARE AND HOMELESS YOUTH. A person is exempt from the payment of any fee for the issuance of a personal identification certificate, as provided under this chapter, if that person is:

(1)  younger than 18 years of age and in the managing conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services;

(2)  at least 18 years of age, but younger than 21 years of age, and resides in a foster care placement, the cost of which is paid by the Department of Family and Protective Services; or

(3)  a homeless child or youth, as defined by 42 U.S.C. Section 11434a.

SECTION 2.  Section 521.1811, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 521.1811.  WAIVER OF FEES FOR FOSTER CARE AND HOMELESS YOUTH. A person is exempt from the payment of any fee for the issuance of a driver's license, as provided under this chapter, if that person is:

(1)  younger than 18 years of age and in the managing conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services; [~~or~~]

(2)  at least 18 years of age, but younger than 21 years of age, and resides in a foster care placement, the cost of which is paid by the Department of Family and Protective Services; or

(3)  a homeless child or youth, as defined by 42 U.S.C. Section 11434a.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.