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H.B. No. 3227

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the content of driver's licenses, commercial driver's  
3 licenses, and personal identification certificates.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 521.101, Transportation Code, is amended  
6 by adding Subsection (n) to read as follows:

7 (n) The application for the personal identification  
8 certificate must provide space for the applicant to identify the  
9 applicant's gender as female, male, or nonbinary/gender diverse.

10 SECTION 2. Section 521.142, Transportation Code, is amended  
11 by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (j) to read as  
12 follows:

13 (c) The application must state:

14 (1) the gender [~~sex~~] of the applicant;

15 (2) the residence address of the applicant, or if the  
16 applicant is a federal judge, a state judge, or the spouse of a  
17 federal or state judge using the procedure developed under Section  
18 521.121(c), the street address of the courthouse in which the  
19 applicant or the applicant's spouse serves as a federal judge or a  
20 state judge;

21 (3) whether the applicant has been licensed to drive a  
22 motor vehicle before;

23 (4) if previously licensed, when and by what state or  
24 country;

1 (5) whether that license has been suspended or revoked  
2 or a license application denied;

3 (6) the date and reason for the suspension,  
4 revocation, or denial;

5 (7) whether the applicant is a citizen of the United  
6 States; and

7 (8) the county of residence of the applicant.

8 (j) The application must provide space for the applicant to  
9 identify the applicant's gender as female, male, or  
10 nonbinary/gender diverse.

11 SECTION 3. Section 522.021, Transportation Code, is amended  
12 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (f) to read as  
13 follows:

14 (a) An application for a commercial driver's license or  
15 commercial learner's permit must include:

16 (1) the full name and current residence and mailing  
17 address of the applicant;

18 (2) a physical description of the applicant, including  
19 gender [~~sex~~], height, and eye color;

20 (3) the applicant's date of birth;

21 (4) the applicant's social security number, unless the  
22 application is for a non-domiciled commercial driver's license and  
23 the applicant is domiciled in a foreign jurisdiction;

24 (5) certifications, including those required by 49  
25 C.F.R. Section 383.71(a); and

26 (6) any other information required by the department.

27 (f) The application must provide space for the applicant to

1 identify the applicant's gender as female, male, or  
2 nonbinary/gender diverse.

3 SECTION 4. Section 522.030(a), Transportation Code, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 (a) A commercial driver's license or commercial learner's  
6 permit must:

7 (1) be marked:

8 (A) "Commercial Driver License" or "CDL" for a  
9 commercial driver's license; or

10 (B) "Commercial Learner's Permit" or "CLP" for a  
11 commercial learner's permit;

12 (2) be, to the extent practicable, tamper-proof; and

13 (3) include:

14 (A) the name and domicile address of the person  
15 to whom it is issued;

16 (B) the person's photograph;

17 (C) a physical description of the person,  
18 including gender [~~sex~~], height, and eye color;

19 (D) the person's date of birth;

20 (E) a number or identifier the department  
21 considers appropriate;

22 (F) the person's signature;

23 (G) each class of commercial motor vehicle that  
24 the person is authorized to drive, with any endorsements or  
25 restrictions;

26 (H) the name of this state; and

27 (I) the dates between which the license is valid.

1           SECTION 5. The changes in law made by this Act to Chapters  
2 521 and 522, Transportation Code, apply only to a driver's license,  
3 commercial driver's license, or personal identification  
4 certificate issued or renewed under Chapter 521 or 522,  
5 Transportation Code, on or after January 1, 2022.

6           SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.