

HB 1190-FN - AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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HOUSE BILL

1190-FN

AN ACT enabling the division of motor vehicles to create a temporary traditional driver's license for youth operators about to turn 21 and relative to fleet vehicle registration requirements.

SPONSORS: Rep. Veilleux, Hills. 34; Rep. Crawford, Carr. 3; Rep. Foote, Rock. 13; Rep. Grund, Hills. 34; Rep. Petrigno, Hills. 43; Rep. Rombeau, Hills. 2; Rep. Scherr, Rock. 26; Sen. Fenton, Dist 10; Sen. Long, Dist 20; Sen. Watters, Dist 4

COMMITTEE: Transportation

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Allows the division of motor vehicles to create a temporary traditional driver's license for youth operators whose youth operator license will expire in 30 days or less.

II. Revises registration requirements and associated fees for fleet vehicles.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

AN ACT enabling the division of motor vehicles to create a temporary traditional driver's license for youth operators about to turn 21 and relative to fleet vehicle registration requirements.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 New Paragraph; Temporary Licenses for Drivers Turning 21. Amend RSA 263:10 by inserting
2 after paragraph II the following new paragraph:

3 III. Notwithstanding paragraphs I and II, the director may issue temporary licenses to
4 youth operators who are transitioning pursuant to RSA 263:14 to operators' licenses, up to 30 days
5 prior to their twenty-first birthday, provided that the physical license is delivered only on or after
6 their twenty-first birthday. This temporary license shall be valid for driving purposes only until the
7 new license is issued, and it shall remain valid for up to 60 days after the expiration of the youth
8 operator's license. For all online renewals, a transaction receipt issued upon renewal through the
9 division of motor vehicles website, when accompanied by the existing driver's license, shall serve as
10 the temporary license and proof of renewal.

11 2 New Paragraph; Certificates of Title and Registration of Vehicles; Fees to be Collected.
12 Amend RSA 261:141 by inserting after paragraph VI the following new paragraph:

13 VI-a. If a vehicle is to be registered in accordance with RSA 261:40-b, the following shall
14 apply:

15 (a) If an original registration, the month in which the anniversary of the owner's birth
16 occurs will be one of the next 2 or 3 months, the fee shall be increased by 1/24 for each whole month
17 or part thereof remaining until the end of the month in which such anniversary will occur.

18 (b) If a vehicle has been previously registered pursuant to RSA 261:40-b, said vehicle
19 registration shall not be renewed for less than a 24 month fee, provided that the renewal registration
20 is effected within 24 months of the expiration of the registrant's last valid registration. If a vehicle
21 has been previously registered, and the owner of said vehicle fails to renew the vehicle registration
22 in the month said renewal was legally required to be made when said renewal is obtained within 24
23 months of the last valid registration, the 24 month renewal fees charged hereunder shall be
24 computed at the applicable mill rate which applied in the month when the vehicle should have been
25 legally registered. If the registration is renewed beyond the 24 months immediately succeeding the
26 last valid registration, the 24 month fee charged shall be computed at the mill rate applicable on the
27 date when any successive registration period would have begun, and the minimum fee in such cases
28 shall be for 24 months, except in those cases where the registrant can demonstrate to the
29 satisfaction of the director that the vehicle has not been operated since the expiration of the last

1 valid registration, in which case the registrant may register at the applicable mill rate on the date of
2 the registration.

3 3 New Paragraph; Certificates of Title and Registration of Vehicles; Fees for Registration
4 Permits. Amend RSA 261:153 by inserting after paragraph III the following new paragraph:

5 III-a. If a vehicle is to be registered in accordance with RSA 261:40-b, the following shall
6 apply:

7 (a) If the month in which the anniversary of the owner's birth occurs will be one of the
8 next 2 or 3 months, the permit fee shall be increased by 1/24 for each whole month or part thereof
9 remaining until the end of the month in which such anniversary will occur and the owner shall not
10 be required to obtain a permit for the next registration period.

11 (b) In all other cases for vehicles specified in RSA 261:40-b, the permit fee shall be
12 determined by multiplying 1/24 of the permit fee for the vehicle times the total number of whole
13 months and any part of a month remaining until the end of the month in which the anniversary of
14 the owner's birth occurs, and the owner shall be required to obtain a permit for the next registration
15 period.

16 4 Effective Date.

17 I. Section 1 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

18 II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

HB 1190-FN- FISCAL NOTE
AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE (AMENDMENT #2026-0792s)

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FISCAL IMPACT: This bill does not provide funding.

Estimated State Impact				
	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Revenue Fund(s)</i>	None			
Expenditures*	\$0	\$48,000	\$0	\$0
<i>Funding Source(s)</i>	Restricted - Highway Fund Cost of Collections - Per the state constitution, costs associated with the collection/administration of highway fund revenue by the Department of Safety is deducted prior to funds being credited as unrestricted highway fund revenue			
Appropriations*	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Funding Source(s)</i>	None			

*Expenditure = Cost of bill

*Appropriation = Authorized funding to cover cost of bill

METHODOLOGY:

This bill allows for the creation of a temporary traditional driver's license for youth operators whose youth operator license will expire in 30 days or less. The Department of Safety states this would require changes to two different systems at a one-time estimated cost of \$48,000 to make these changes (240 development, testing and implementation hours @ \$200 per hour).

The Department states sections 2 and 3 of this bill, relative to vehicle registration changes, will have no impact on revenue or expenditures.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Department of Safety