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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

### AN ACT

### RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE

Introduced By: Senator Roger Picard

Date Introduced: March 27, 2018

Referred To: Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 31-10.3-18 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-10.3 entitled "Rhode
 Island Uniform Commercial Driver's License Act" is hereby amended to read as follows:

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#### 31-10.3-18. Applications.

4 (a) Every application for a commercial license, change of endorsement, classification, or
5 restriction shall be made upon a form furnished by the department. Every application shall be
6 accompanied by a valid license and by the nonrefundable fee of ten dollars (\$10.00). This
7 application fee shall be used by the department to offset the costs of investigating the applicants.

8 (b) Every application shall state the full name, date of birth, sex, current mailing address, 9 residential address, height, weight, hair and eye color, social security number, and whether the 10 applicant's license or privilege is withdrawn or whether an application has ever been refused, and 11 if so, the date of and reason for the withdrawal or refusal. It shall also require the applicant to 12 disclose any other names used in the past and any other information that the department may 13 require to determine the applicant's identity, competency, and eligibility. It shall be signed by the 14 applicant under the penalties of perjury.

15 (c) Whenever an application is received from a person previously licensed in another 16 jurisdiction, the department shall request and accept a copy of the driver's record in that 17 jurisdiction with the same force and effect as though entered on the driver's record in this state in 18 the original instance.

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(d) The provisions of § 11-18-1 shall apply to any person who falsely signs or attests the

affidavit, under oath, required by this section. Any false attestation, knowingly made, shall also
be punishable by suspension of the commercial license or privilege of that person for a period of
not less than one year nor more than two (2) years; provided, that person shall be entitled to the
rights and remedies established by § 31-11-15.

- 5 (e) The medical examiner's certificate or medical certification required prior to the
- 6 issuance of a commercial driver's license may be electronically transmitted to the division of
- 7 motor vehicles by electronic means of transmission approved by the department of motor vehicles
- 8 which shall be accessible through the department's website by way of a menu item labeled
- 9 <u>"commercial driver's license (CDL) medical certificate," so long as the transmission is legible.</u>
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- SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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## EXPLANATION

## BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

## OF

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- 1 This act would permit the use of an electronic means of transmission of the medical
- 2 certificate required for issuance of a CDL by the division of motor vehicles.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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