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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1476

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE VISUAL REQUIREMENTS FOR AN
ARKANSAS DRIVER'S LICENSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE VISUAL REQUIREMENTS FOR AN
ARKANSAS DRIVER'S LICENSE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-16-604(a)(8), concerning persons not allowed to be issued a driver's license, is amended to read as follows:

(8) Who is receiving any type of welfare, tax, or other benefit or exemption as a blind or nearly blind person, if the correctable vision of the person is less than ~~20/50~~ 20/70 in the better eye or if the total visual field of the person is less than one hundred five degrees (105°);

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-16-704(b)(4), concerning the examination of applicants for driver's licenses, is amended to read as follows:

(4) The applicant shall have a minimum uncorrected visual acuity of 20/40 for an unrestricted license and a minimum corrected visual acuity of ~~20/50~~ 20/70 for a restricted license. The applicant's field of vision shall be at least one hundred forty degrees (140°) for a person with two (2) functional eyes and at least one hundred five degrees (105°) for a person with one (1) functional eye.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 27-16-804(c), concerning testing requirements for visual acuity, is amended to read as follows:



(c) All licensees who have a tested uncorrected visual acuity of less than 20/40 shall be restricted to the operation of a motor vehicle, motorcycle, or motor-driven cycle only while they are wearing corrective lenses. No person shall be allowed to operate a motor vehicle, motorcycle, or a motor-driven cycle if he or she has a tested corrected visual acuity of less than ~~20/50~~ 20/70 or if he or she has a field of vision less than one hundred forty degrees (140°) with two (2) functioning eyes or less than one hundred five degrees (105°) with one (1) functioning eye.

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