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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1208

By: Representative Dalby

By: Senator Hickey

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROBATIONER AND
PAROLEE RESTRICTED DRIVING PERMITS; AND OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROBATIONER
AND PAROLEE RESTRICTED DRIVING PERMITS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-16-816(a), concerning probationer and parolee restricted driving permits, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) If a person is on probation or parole, or is within ninety (90) days of release on probation or parole, for an offense that did not involve the operation of a motor vehicle and he or she has his or her license suspended for a reason not listed under § 27-16-915(b)(2)(C), the person may be eligible for a restricted driving permit under this section that permits the holder to drive a motor vehicle directly to and directly home from:

- (A) A place where he or she is employed;
- (B) A place where he or she, or his or her minor child, attends school;
- (C) A scheduled meeting with his or her probation or parole officer; or
- (D) Any place, location, or meeting that the person's probation or parole officer has directed the person on probation or parole to travel to or attend.



(2) This section does not apply to a person with an expired driver's license.

(3) A person is required to be qualified to operate a motor vehicle under the laws of this state in order to be eligible to apply for a restricted driving permit under this section.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-16-816(b)(3), concerning probationer and parolee restricted driving permits, is repealed. is amended to read as follows:

~~(3) The department may revoke a restricted driving permit under this section at any time and for any reason.~~

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 27-16-816(f), concerning probationer and parolee restricted driving permits, is amended to read as follows:

(f)(1) A restricted driving permit issued under this section ~~expires~~ is valid for one (1) year from the date the restricted driving permit was issued and may be renewed annually upon the submission of an application by a probation or parole officer as required by subdivision (b)(1) of this section.

(2) The Department of Finance and Administration may revoke a restricted driving permit issued under this section at the request of a probation or parole officer employed by the Division of Community Correction.

/s/Dalby

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