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Introduced by M. of A. BALL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to the length of time that a person on a visa can hold a driver's license, learner's permit or non-driver identification card

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 503 of the vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:

(C) WHENEVER A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR LEARNER'S PERMIT ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE, OR A PRIVILEGE OF OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE OR OF OBTAINING SUCH A LICENSE OR PERMIT HAS BEEN ISSUED TO AN ALIEN WHO HAS BEEN ISSUED A VISA, SUCH DRIVER'S LICENSE OR LEARNER'S PERMIT SHALL EXPIRE UPON THE EXPIRATION OF THE VISA OR UPON THE DATE THE DRIVER'S LICENSE OR LEARNER'S PERMIT WOULD OTHERWISE EXPIRE UNDER THIS CHAPTER, WHICHEVER DATE FIRST OCCURS. IF THE DRIVER'S LICENSE OR LEARNER'S PERMIT OF AN ALIEN WITH A VISA EXPIRES BEFORE THE ALIEN'S VISA EXPIRES THEN THE ALIEN CAN RENEW SUCH LICENSE OR PERMIT UPON SHOWING THE DEPARTMENT PROOF OF A VALID VISA.

S 2. Section 491 of the vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new subdivision 1-a to read as follows:

1-A. PERIOD OF VALIDITY; VISA. WHENEVER AN IDENTIFICATION CARD ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN ISSUED TO AN ALIEN WHO HAS BEEN ISSUED A VISA, SUCH IDENTIFICATION CARD SHALL EXPIRE UPON THE EXPIRATION OF THE VISA OR UPON THE DATE THE IDENTIFICATION CARD WOULD OTHERWISE EXPIRE UNDER THIS CHAPTER, WHICHEVER DATE FIRST OCCURS. IF THE IDENTIFICATION CARD OF AN ALIEN WITH A VISA EXPIRES BEFORE THE ALIEN'S VISA EXPIRES THEN THE ALIEN CAN RENEW SUCH IDENTIFICATION CARD UPON SHOWING THE DEPARTMENT PROOF OF A VALID VISA.

S 3. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law; provided, however, that effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized and directed to be made and completed on or before such effective date.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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