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Introduced by M. of A. PRETLOW, GUNTHER, ORTIZ, CANESTRARI, WEISENBERG
-- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. GALEF, PHEFFER, J. RIVERA -- 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 ASSEM-
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 503 of the vehicle and traffic law
2 is amended by adding a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:
3 (C) WHENEVER A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR LEARNER'S PERMIT ISSUED PURSUANT TO
4 THIS ARTICLE, OR A PRIVILEGE OF OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE OR OF OBTAIN-
5 ING SUCH A LICENSE OR PERMIT HAS BEEN ISSUED TO AN ALIEN WHO HAS BEEN
6 ISSUED A VISA, SUCH DRIVER'S LICENSE OR LEARNER'S PERMIT SHALL EXPIRE
7 UPON THE EXPIRATION OF THE VISA OR UPON THE DATE THE DRIVER'S LICENSE OR
8 LEARNER'S PERMIT WOULD OTHERWISE EXPIRE UNDER THIS CHAPTER, WHICHEVER
9 DATE FIRST OCCURS. IF THE DRIVER'S LICENSE OR LEARNER'S PERMIT OF AN
10 ALIEN WITH A VISA EXPIRES BEFORE THE ALIEN'S VISA EXPIRES THEN THE ALIEN
11 CAN RENEW SUCH LICENSE OR PERMIT UPON SHOWING THE DEPARTMENT PROOF OF A
12 VALID VISA.
13 S 2. Section 491 of the vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a
14 new subdivision 1-a to read as follows:
15 1-A. PERIOD OF VALIDITY; VISA. WHENEVER AN IDENTIFICATION CARD ISSUED
16 BY THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN ISSUED TO AN ALIEN WHO HAS BEEN ISSUED A
17 VISA, SUCH IDENTIFICATION CARD SHALL EXPIRE UPON THE EXPIRATION OF THE
18 VISA OR UPON THE DATE THE IDENTIFICATION CARD WOULD OTHERWISE EXPIRE
19 UNDER THIS CHAPTER, WHICHEVER DATE FIRST OCCURS. IF THE IDENTIFICATION
20 CARD OF AN ALIEN WITH A VISA EXPIRES BEFORE THE ALIEN'S VISA EXPIRES
21 THEN THE ALIEN CAN RENEW SUCH IDENTIFICATION CARD UPON SHOWING THE
22 DEPARTMENT PROOF OF A VALID VISA.

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

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