

AN AMENDMENT

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA`

DATE: July 10, 2013

Offered By: Councilmember Mary M. Cheh

Title: B20-275, the "Driver's Safety Amendment Act of 2013"

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1. Strike Section 4. Implementation. (page 3, lines 14-15) and renumber the successive sections.
2. Section 5. Applicability. (page 3, lines 16-19) is amended by striking the phrase "upon the inclusion of its fiscal effect in an approved budget and financial plan, as certified" and inserting the phrase "as of May 1, 2014; provided, that the inclusion of its fiscal effect in an approved budget and financial plan has been certified" in its place.

Rationale:

This amendment would remove the 300-day implementation period and replace it with an effective date of May 1, 2014. The Mayor included the 300-day implementation provision when he introduced this bill in order to give the Department of Motor Vehicles time to prepare for the thousands of new residents who are expected to apply for driver's licenses under this bill. However, this would mean that driver's licenses would not be available until October 2014. This amendment is necessary in order to reduce the time it takes for the Department of Motor Vehicles to begin accepting applications for new licenses from October 2014 to May 2014, while still ensuring that DMV's new service center in Georgetown will be open, which will give the agency the capacity it needs to process the increased number of applications.