

## CHAPTER 385

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**MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGULATION**


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## HOUSE BILL 19-1321

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Coleman and Williams D., Duran, Melton, Sandridge, Van Winkle;  
also SENATOR(S) Priola, Moreno, Rankin, Tate.

## AN ACT

**CONCERNING THE USE OF AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE TO VERIFY THE DRIVER'S LICENSE OF A PERSON WHO RENTS A MOTOR VEHICLE.**

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-2-141, **amend** (2), (3), (4) introductory portion, (4)(b), and (4)(c) as follows:

**42-2-141. Renting or loaning a motor vehicle to another.** (2) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, ~~no~~ A person shall NOT rent a motor vehicle to another ~~until that person has inspected~~ PERSON WITHOUT FIRST INSPECTING the driver's license of the person to whom the vehicle is to be rented and ~~compared and verified~~ VERIFYING THAT the ~~signature thereon with the signature of such person written in his or her presence~~ LICENSE IS UNEXPIRED. THE INSPECTION REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION (2) MAY BE PERFORMED THROUGH THE USE OF AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE.

(3) ~~Every~~ A person ~~renting~~ WHO RENTS a motor vehicle to another PERSON shall keep a record of the registration number of the motor vehicle, ~~so rented,~~ the name and address of the person to whom the vehicle is rented, the number of the DRIVER'S license of ~~said latter~~ THE PERSON TO WHOM THE VEHICLE IS RENTED or any authorized driver under subsection (4) of this section, and the ~~date and place when and where said~~ THE license was issued. ~~Such~~ THE PERSON WHO RENTS THE MOTOR VEHICLE MAY MAINTAIN THE record IN AN ELECTRONIC FORMAT AND ~~shall be open to~~ MAKE THE RECORD AVAILABLE FOR inspection by any police officer or officer or employee of the department.

(4) A person may rent a motor vehicle to a person who is blind, as defined in section 26-2-103 (3), ~~C.R.S.~~, subject to all of the following conditions:

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*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of the act.*

(b) The person renting the motor vehicle to a blind person:

(I) Inspects the DRIVER'S license of each person who accompanies the blind person and wishes to be authorized to drive the motor vehicle, WHICH INSPECTION MAY BE PERFORMED THROUGH THE USE OF AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE; and

(II) ~~Compares and Verifies THAT the signatures thereon with the signatures of such persons written in his or her presence~~ DRIVER'S LICENSE IS UNEXPIRED.

(c) Only persons whose DRIVER'S licenses ~~and signatures~~ have been compared ~~and~~ verified by the person renting the motor vehicle to the blind person are authorized to drive the motor vehicle, and the names of such persons ~~are~~ MUST BE listed in the rental agreement.

**SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3, 2019); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: May 31, 2019