

(c) The Administration may renew a license within 6 months after the expiration date without requiring a driving test.

(d) A license held by a person who is absent from this State on active service in the armed forces of the United States shall remain in full force and effect during such absence. The license also shall remain in effect, if it would otherwise have expired under this section, for a period of 30 days following the date of the licensee's return to this State, or his discharge or separation from active service:

(1) If the licensee has in his immediate possession, together with his driver's license, papers indicating his active service outside this State or his discharge or separation; and

(2) If the license is not otherwise suspended, revoked, or canceled under this title during the 30-day period.

(e) If a licensee is absent from this State for cause, other than as provided in subsection (d), and is unable to renew his license in the manner required by this section, the licensee may renew by mail to the Administration. The renewal application shall be accompanied by the prescribed fee and a statement giving the reason for and the expected length of the absence. On receipt of the application, the Administrator shall issue a regular license and if the renewed license is one that requires a photo it shall, in place of the photo, bear the notation that it is valid without a photo until 15 days after the licensee first returns to this State.

(f) An individual may not drive [or attempt to drive] a motor vehicle on any highway in this State if the license issued to him under this title has expired.

(G) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT ATTEMPT TO DRIVE A MOTOR VEHICLE ON ANY HIGHWAY IN THIS STATE IF THE LICENSE ISSUED TO THE INDIVIDUAL UNDER THIS TITLE HAS EXPIRED.

[[g]] (H) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Administration shall require every individual applying for renewal of a driver's license to pass a vision test as prescribed by the Administrator.

(2) (i) The Administrator shall accept a certification of acceptable visual acuity from a licensed physician or optometrist instead of requiring the actual test provided for in this subsection.

(ii) The examination for which certification is made shall take place within 12 months of the date of application for renewal.

(3) (i) If the Administration has reason to believe that an individual is a safety hazard by reason of a vision deficiency, the Administration may require the vision test