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(A) EXCEPT FOR MOTOR VEHICLES DESIGNED TO TRANSPORT MORE THAN 15 PASSENGERS, THIS SUBTITLE APPLIES TO ANY MOTOR VEHICLE USED IN THE TRANSPORTATION OF PASSENGERS IN EXCHANGE FOR REMUNERATION.

(B) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 50N OF THIS ARTICLE ~~SUBTITLE~~, A PERSON MAY NOT OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE FOR HIRE IN THE STATE UNDER A PERMIT OR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSPORT PASSENGERS ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION OR THE APPROPRIATE LOCAL AUTHORITY UNLESS THE PERSON HOLDS A FOR-HIRE DRIVER'S LICENSE ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION.

[50A.] 50C.

(A) Application for [taxicab] A FOR-HIRE driver's license must be filed with the Public Service Commission. Such application shall be on a form provided or prescribed by the Commission and all information required by the form must be completed.

(B) THE FORM SHALL REQUIRE THE APPLICANT TO STATE WHETHER THE APPLICANT IS APPLYING FOR A PASSENGER-FOR-HIRE DRIVER'S LICENSE OR A TAXICAB DRIVER'S LICENSE.

[50B.] 50D.

(A) Each applicant for a FOR-HIRE driver's license must file with the application two recent photographs, of a size which may be easily attached to the license, one of which shall be attached to the license when issued, and the other shall be filed with the application in the Public Service Commission office. Each applicant for a FOR-HIRE driver's license shall be fingerprinted.

(B) EACH APPLICANT SHALL PAY TO THE COMMISSION AN APPLICATION FEE SET BY THE COMMISSION.

(C) ON RECEIPT OF AN APPLICATION, THE COMMISSION SHALL REQUIRE A CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK AND A DRIVING RECORD CHECK OF THE APPLICANT.

(D) THE COMMISSION MAY DENY AN APPLICANT A LICENSE IF THE APPLICANT HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME THAT BEARS A DIRECT RELATIONSHIP TO THE APPLICANT'S FITNESS TO SERVE THE PUBLIC AS A FOR-HIRE DRIVER.

[50C.] 50E.

Upon satisfactory fulfillment of all requirements [there shall be issued] AS VERIFIED BY THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM, THE COMMISSION SHALL ISSUE to the applicant a PASSENGER-FOR-HIRE DRIVER'S LICENSE OR A taxicab driver's license, AS APPROPRIATE, which shall be in such form as the Public Service Commission may direct and which shall at all times be in the driver's possession when operating a [taxicab] MOTOR VEHICLE FOR HIRE. Any licensee who defaces, removes or obliterates any official entry made upon the [taxicab] FOR-HIRE driver's license shall be punished by the suspension or revocation of the license as hereinafter provided.