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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the driver's license of
9 a resident of this state who is a member of the
10 National Guard or the armed forces whose driver's
11 license has expired and who is on active duty and
12 deployed outside of the United States is valid if
13 the member of the military has on his or her person
14 a copy of his or her military orders.

15 This bill would provide that a member of the
16 military who is deployed outside of the United
17 States in a combat zone shall have his or her
18 driver's license automatically renewed by the
19 Department of Public Safety for a one-year period
20 if the member forwards a copy of his or her
21 military orders to the department.

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23 A BILL
24 TO BE ENTITLED
25 AN ACT
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1 To amend Section 32-6-1.1 of the Code of Alabama
2 1975, to provide that a member of the military who is deployed
3 outside of the United States in a combat zone shall have his
4 or her driver's license automatically renewed by the
5 Department of Public Safety for a one year-period if the
6 member forwards a copy of his or her military orders to the
7 department.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

9 Section 1. Section 32-6-1.1 of the Code of Alabama
10 1975, is amended to read as follows:

11 "§32-6-1.1.

12 "(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
13 driver's license of any resident of this state who is a member
14 of the National Guard or the Armed Forces of the United States
15 whose driver's license has expired and who is on active duty
16 and deployed outside the United States shall be valid as long
17 as the military member has on his or her person a copy of
18 valid military orders with any amendments. In addition, if the
19 member of the military is deployed outside of the United
20 States in a combat zone, the driver's license of the military
21 member shall be automatically renewed by the Department of
22 Public Safety for a one-year period from the date of
23 expiration without additional costs if the member forwards
24 electronically or otherwise a copy of his or her valid
25 military orders with amendments to the department.

26 "(b) The Department of Public Safety may develop
27 procedures authorizing members of the National Guard and armed

1 forces receiving orders to be deployed outside the United
2 States to renew their driver's licenses up to one year prior
3 to the expiration of the license."

4 Section 2. This act shall become effective
5 immediately following its passage and approval by the
6 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.