

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2013

SENATE BILL 712
RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO DEVELOP A PROCESS WHEREBY PERSONS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND CAN APPLY FOR A SPECIAL PHOTO IDENTIFICATION CARD BY MEANS OTHER THAN PERSONAL APPEARANCE AND TO MAKE OTHER CLARIFYING CHANGES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. For a person who has a physician's letter certifying that a severe disability causes the person to be homebound, the Division shall adopt rules allowing for application for or renewal of a special photo identification card under G.S. 20-37.7 by means other than a personal appearance.

SECTION 2. G.S. 20-37.7(c) reads as rewritten:

"(c) Format. – A special identification card shall include a color photograph of the special identification card holder and be similar in size, shape, and design to a drivers license, but shall clearly state that it does not entitle the person to whom it is issued to operate a motor vehicle. A special identification card issued to an applicant must have the same background color that a drivers license issued to the applicant would have."

SECTION 3. By no later than October 1, 2013, the Division shall report to the Chairs of the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee on the status of the implementation of a system allowing persons who are homebound to apply for or renew a special photo identification card by means other than personal appearance.

SECTION 4. Section 3 of this act is effective when it becomes law. The remainder of this act becomes effective July 1, 2014.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 24th day of June, 2013.

s/ Daniel J. Forest
President of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Pat McCrory
Governor

Approved _____ .m. this _____ day of _____, 2013

