

Legislative Analysis



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House Bill 6298 (H-1) as referred to second committee

Sponsor: Rep. Gregory Markkanen

1st Committee: Transportation

2nd Committee: Ways and Means

Complete to 12-6-20

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SUMMARY:

House Bill 6298 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to allow the secretary of state to waive the commercial driver's license (CDL) knowledge test for applicants with relevant military vehicle experience.

The Michigan Vehicle Code requires applicants for a commercial driver's license to take a knowledge test and a driving skills test—but it allows the secretary of state to waive the skills test for applicants who have military commercial motor vehicle experience and who continuously met federal commercial driver's license requirements¹ during the two years preceding their application.

The bill would allow the secretary of state to also waive the knowledge test for these drivers.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the state or local units of government.

POSITIONS:

A representative of the Department of State testified in support of the bill. (12-3-20)

The Dairy Farmers of America support for the bill. (12-3-20)

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¹ <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2011-title49-vol5/pdf/CFR-2011-title49-vol5-part383.pdf>