CHAPTER 2013-1

House Bill No. 7059

An act relating to driver licensing; amending s. 322.04, F.S.; revising provisions for exemption from obtaining a driver license issued by this state; removing a requirement that certain nonresidents possess an International Driving Permit; providing that a nonresident of a certain age possessing a valid noncommercial driver license issued outside this state may operate a noncommercial motor vehicle in this state; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 322.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.04 Persons exempt from obtaining driver license.—

(1) The following persons are exempt from obtaining a driver license:

(a) Any employee of the United States Government, while operating a noncommercial motor vehicle owned by or leased to the United States Government and being operated on official business.

(b) Any person while driving or operating any road machine, farm tractor, or implement of husbandry temporarily operated or moved on a highway.

(c) A nonresident who is at least 16 years of age and who has in his or her immediate possession a valid noncommercial driver license issued to the nonresident in his or her home state or country operating a motor vehicle of the type for which a Class E driver license is required in this state.

(d) A nonresident who is at least 18 years of age and who has in his or her immediate possession a valid noncommercial driver license issued to the nonresident in his or her home state or country operating a motor vehicle, other than a commercial motor vehicle, in this state if the nonresident has in his or her immediate possession:

1. A valid noncommercial driver license issued in his or her name from another state or territory of the United States; or

2. An International Driving Permit issued in his or her name in his or her country of residence and a valid license issued in that country.

(e) Any person operating a golf cart, as defined in s. 320.01, which is operated in accordance with the provisions of s. 316.212.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall apply retroactively to January 1, 2013.

Approved by the Governor April 2, 2013.

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