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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to Hillsborough County; amending chapter  
3           2001-299, Laws of Florida, relating to the Public  
4           Transportation Commission; providing for certain national  
5           criminal history background checks; authorizing the  
6           issuance of temporary public vehicle driver's licenses;  
7           providing for an exception to a public driver's license  
8           requirement; providing an effective date.

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

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12           Section 1. Paragraphs (ee) and (kk) of subsection (2) of  
13           section 5 and paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section 8 of  
14           chapter 2001-299, Laws of Florida, are amended to read:

15           Section 5. Commission powers, mandatory and  
16           discretionary.--

17           (2) The commission has the power to:

18           (ee) Request and receive criminal history record  
19           information for the purpose of screening applicants for  
20           certificates and public vehicle driver's licenses and pay a fee  
21           for any such record. Such record information may include a  
22           national criminal history records check with the Federal Bureau  
23           of Investigation. The fingerprints may be submitted by the  
24           commission to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE)  
25           for state processing, and the department shall forward them to  
26           the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal  
27           history records check. All costs associated with transmittal and  
28           processing shall be borne by the commission, the employer, or

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29 the person subject to the background check. The FDLE shall  
 30 invoice the commission for the fingerprints submitted each  
 31 month. The commission shall screen background results to  
 32 determine if an applicant meets licensure requirements.

33 (kk) Issue, or authorize its director, or any interim  
 34 director, to issue and reissue, for good cause and without the  
 35 necessity of notice or public hearing, temporary permits to  
 36 existing certificate holders and temporary public vehicle  
 37 driver's licenses provided that such temporary permits and  
 38 temporary public vehicle driver's licenses shall be issued for a  
 39 period of time not to exceed 7 days. Upon showing of good cause,  
 40 temporary permits or temporary public vehicle driver's licenses  
 41 may be reissued, but shall not be reissued more than four 4  
 42 successive 7-day ~~seven-day~~ periods without commission approval.  
 43 Issuance of a temporary permit or a temporary public vehicle  
 44 driver's license pursuant to the provisions of this section  
 45 shall not in any way be construed as a commitment to issue a  
 46 permanent permit or annual public vehicle driver's license. No  
 47 action taken by the commission, or by the director or any  
 48 interim director if so authorized, shall be construed to estop  
 49 the commission from subsequently denying an application for a  
 50 permanent permit or annual public vehicle driver's license.

51 Section 8. Public vehicle driver's license.--

52 (5) Each public vehicle driver's license:

53 (b) Shall be valid for 1 year and may be renewed annually  
 54 for 1 additional year when the commission finds no criminal or  
 55 traffic violations during the period of the expiring license. If  
 56 the investigation reveals such violations, the license shall not

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57 | be valid for more than 60 days, providing further, however, that  
58 | temporary public vehicle driver's licenses are exempt from this  
59 | paragraph.

60 |       Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.