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Emergency Rule

Revised Rule 7, 1 CCR 204-30 – Rules and Regulations for the Commercial Driver’s License (CDL) Program

Statement of Emergency Justification and Adoption

Pursuant to sections 24-4-103, 42-1-204 and 42-2-111, C.R.S, I, Heidi Humphreys, Interim Executive Director of the Department of Revenue (“Department”), hereby adopt the aforementioned revised Rule 7, 1 CCR 204-30, which is attached hereto.

Section 24-4-103(6), C.R.S., authorizes the Department to issue emergency rules if the Department finds that immediate adoption of the rule is imperatively necessary to comply with a state law or for the preservation of public health, safety, or welfare and compliance with the requirements of section 24-4-103, C.R.S., would be contrary to the public interest.

I find that the immediate adoption of this revised rule is necessary to alleviate a shortage of school bus drivers. The current shortage resulted from the cancellation of in-person classes in an effort to reduce or prevent the spread of COVID-19, and a consequent staffing reduction in the number of school bus drivers. Currently, schools have resumed some in-person classes and, therefore, there is now a chronic shortage of school bus drivers to transport students.

Statutory Authority

The statutory authority for this rule is found at subsection 42-2-111, C.R.S.

Purpose

The purpose of adopting the revision to Rule 7 on an emergency basis is to allow the transfer of an “S” endorsement on an out-of-state applicant’s commercial driver license to an applicant’s Colorado commercial driver license.

The revision would allow the transfer of the “S” endorsement, which endorsement is necessary for the holder of a commercial driver license to operate a school bus.

It is imperative to revise the rule to alleviate the shortage of school bus drivers in order to protect public health, safety, and welfare, and provide sufficient transportation for school children to or from schools or school related activities.

The Department has set a workshop on the permanent version of this emergency rule amendment for November 20, 2020.

This emergency rule is effective immediately upon adoption.

Heidi Humphreys
Interim Executive Director
Colorado Department of Revenue

Date