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Bill Analysis

The FS for SB 1591 removes the requirement for identification issued by certain entities to only issue identification documents to United States citizens, nationals and legal permanent resident aliens. The measure also modifies license issuances made by the Department of Public Safety to aliens. The measure provides that such person may present proof of filing a state tax return for the most recent tax return period to be eligible to receive a driver license. Individual applicants may present the tax identification number issued by the United States Internal Revenue Service. The measure strikes language providing for separate renewal procedures for aliens. The measure also provides that, in addition to other costs renewing a Class D License, an applicant or licensee providing an individual tax identification number shall pay an additional \$50.00. The FS clarifies that any registrant using a tax identification number shall not receive voter registration services nor shall they be eligible to receive a commercial driving license. The FS also directs the Department of Public Safety to transmit to the Secretary of the State Election Board the name, date of birth, residential address, and mailing address, of all applicants or licensees who have provided an individual tax identification number. If the Secretary notes any matches, he or she shall notify the secretary of any relevant county election board.

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