2021 SENATE BILL 639

October 20, 2021 - Introduced by Senators PETROWSKI, PFAFF, BALLWEG, CARPENTER, JACQUE, MARKLEIN and RINGHAND, cosponsored by Representatives SNYDER, CABRAL-GUEVARA, DITTRICH, MURSAU, SUBECK and WICHGERS. Referred to Committee on Transportation and Local Government.

AN ACT to create 343.085 (2) (d) of the statutes; relating to: exemptions from the requirement that an original driver’s license be a probationary license.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a probationary license is, with certain exceptions, issued to all applicants who qualify for an original driver’s license and remains in effect for two years from the date of the licensee’s next birthday. Currently, the following persons are exempt from this requirement:

1. Certain persons who have been licensed by another jurisdiction.
2. Persons who are issued a commercial driver license.
3. Persons entitled to a regular license under a foreign license reciprocity agreement.

Those who are exempt from the probationary license requirement are instead issued a regular license that remains in effect for eight years after the date of issuance.

Under this bill, a person who provides to the Department of Transportation documentary proof that the person is enlisted in the U.S. armed forces is also exempt from the probationary license requirement.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:
SECTION 1. 343.085 (2) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

343.085 (2) (d) Any person who provides to the department documentary proof that the person is enlisted in the U.S. armed forces is exempt from this section.

(END)