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Eric G. Mackey, Ed.D. State Superintendent of Education

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<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

- City and County Superintendents of Education
- Eric G. Mackey State Superintendent of Education
- SUBJECT: Updated Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) Enrollment/Exclusion Form including Taylor's Law and Qualified Student

The ALEA has updated the DL-93 Enrollment/Exclusion Form to implement Sections 16-28-40 through 16-28-45, Code of Alabama, 1975. Please use the updated DL1-93 form that is attached and can also be found at Driver License Forms | Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (alea.gov) for any students requesting a learners license. ALEA will no longer accept previous versions of this form.

Act 2022-300 provides the term "qualified student" that refers to a student meeting the definition of a "homeless child or youth" as provided by 42 U.S.C. § 11434(a)(2). This Act waives the license fee for all students that fall under this classification.

See attached Act 2009-713 also known as "Taylor's Law," which is on the Enrollment/Exclusion form as "Total Number of Disciplinary Points imposed in school for disciplinary action." Each accumulated point shall add one additional week to the age at which the student is eligible to be issued a learner's permit, motor-driven cycle operator's license, or driver's license.

If you have any questions, please contact Jeremy Seamon by telephone at 334-694-4545 or by email at jseamon@alsde.edu.

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Attachment

cc: High School Principals Attendance Officer Chief Attendance Administrator **Driver Education Teachers** Dr. Brandon T. Payne Mr. Chad Carpenter

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Section 32-6-7.4

Disciplinary point system - Age of student eligibility.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each student over the age of 12 years who is enrolled in a public or private secondary school shall be subject to a disciplinary point system for an infraction committed on school property to determine the age at which the student shall be allowed to apply for a learner's permit, motor driven cycle operator's license, driver's license, or any license required by the State of Alabama for the operation of a motor vehicle or vessel. The disciplinary points imposed for a disciplinary action shall be as follows:

(1) One day in-school suspension - 1 point.

(2) One day out-of-school suspension - 2 points.

(3) Alternative school placement - 6 points.

(4) Expulsion - 20 points.

(b)(1) The points shall accumulate on a yearly basis, beginning with the school year including summer school in which the student turns 13, and accumulate each year until the student is eligible to apply for a driver's license under the imposed point system. Each accumulated point shall add one additional week to the age at which the student is eligible to be issued a learner's permit, motor driven cycle operator's license, or driver's license.

(2) Notwithstanding subdivision (1), the age at which a student may apply for a license or permit shall not be extended by Act 2009-713 beyond one year from the date the student initially applies for a learner's permit, motor driven cycle operator's license, driver's license, or any license required by the State of Alabama for the operation of a motor vehicle or vessel.

(c) The following subdivisions are contingent upon the technical capability of the student data management system to track, manage, and coordinate the data:

(1) Points shall be accrued on a school-year basis.

(2) Points may not accrue for the first three days of in-school suspension in any school year; however, beginning with the fourth day of suspension in any school year, all days, including the first three, of in-school suspension shall be counted in determining the points.

(3) Points may not accrue for an initial out-of-school suspension of two days or less in any school year; however, the days of the initial suspension shall be used to determine the points after a second out-of-school suspension in any school year or all days will be used to determine points if the initial suspension exceeds two days.

(4) Accumulated points shall be reduced by one-half if the student has not received additional accumulated points for one school year. If no additional points are received for two years, all records of the accumulated points shall be removed from the student's records at the school.

(Act 2009-713, p. 2095, §1.)