



Commonwealth of Virginia
Office of the Governor

Executive Order

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DIRECTING THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO EXTEND THE VALIDITY OF EXPIRING DRIVER'S LICENSES AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

Importance of the Issue

On Saturday, September 2, 2017, information technology equipment managed by Northrop Grumman failed, causing interruptions to the electronic services provided by the Commonwealth's data center. This disruption greatly impacted the ability of many Virginians to renew their driver's licenses and other documents. This unforeseen disruption of services places citizens at risk of suffering fines and other costs resulting from their inability to timely renew their driver's licenses and other documents.

In order to prevent any further hardship to the citizens of Virginia, and in accordance with my authority contained in §§ 46.2-330(A) and 46.2-345 of the *Code of Virginia*, I hereby order the following measures:

- I hereby direct the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles, and such other executive branch agencies as they may deem appropriate in their discretion, to extend the validity period of Virginia driver's licenses, learner's permits, commercial driver's licenses, and special identification cards issued by the Commonwealth that expire September 2, 2017, through September 4, 2017, until September 11, 2017.

Effective Date of this Executive Order

This Executive Order shall be effective retroactively from September 2, 2017, and shall remain in full force and effect until September 11, 2017.

Given under my hand and under the Seal of the Commonwealth of Virginia, this 6th day of September, 2017.

Terence R. McAuliffe, Governor

Attest:

Kelly Thomasson, Secretary of the Commonwealth