MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ACT OF 1963 (EXCERPT) Act 181 of 1963

480.12n Regularly employed drivers of intrastate motor carriers of property; nonapplicability of certain provisions; applicability and validity of grandfather rights.

Sec. 2n. (1) The provisions of this act and 49 C.F.R. 391.21 relating to applications for employment, 49 C.F.R. 391.23 relating to investigations and inquiries, and 49 C.F.R. 391.31 relating to road tests do not apply to a driver who has been a regularly employed driver of an intrastate motor carrier of property for a continuous period which began on or before June 10, 1984, as long as he or she continues to be a regularly employed driver of that motor carrier. Such a driver is qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if he or she fulfills the requirements of section 2d(2).

- (2) The provisions in this act pertaining to an intrastate driver's medical qualifications do not apply to any driver who:
- (a) Has been a regularly employed driver of the motor carrier for a continuous period which began on or before June 10, 1984.
 - (b) Has continued to be a regularly employed driver of that motor carrier.
 - (c) Is otherwise qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle under section 2d.
 - (d) Has made application to the appeal board claiming grandfathering rights.
- (e) Has received a waiver of medical qualification from the motor carrier division of the department of state police. The "medical waiver grandfather rights" card, motor carrier division form number MC-22, shall be carried at all times on the person of the driver while he or she is operating a commercial motor vehicle. The original "medical waiver grandfather rights", motor carrier division form number MC-25, will be retained in the driver's qualification file in accordance with section 2m.
- (3) Notwithstanding subsection (2), the provisions of this act pertaining to random, reasonable cause, and postaccident drug testing apply to all drivers granted grandfathering rights under this section.
 - (4) Grandfather rights shall remain valid until December 31, 2032.
- (5) The exemption from medical qualifications under this section applies only to preexisting conditions before the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection. Any medical condition that would normally disqualify a driver under this act automatically voids any grandfather rights. Any driver who develops a normally disqualifying medical condition after being issued a grandfather card must return the grandfather card to the appeal board and apply for a medical waiver as provided in section 2k.

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