MEMORANDUM

TO: Florida Law Enforcement Agencies

FROM: Robert Kynoch, Director of Motorist Services

DATE: June 30, 2020

SUBJECT: Commercial Driver Licenses

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has issued a Waiver in Response to the COVID-19 National Emergency for States, CDL Holders, CLP Holders, and Interstate Drivers Operating Commercial Motor Vehicles.

If you stop a driver operating a commercial motor vehicle with a Commercial Driver License (CDL) or Commercial Learner’s Permit (CLP) that expired on or after March 1, 2020, but was valid on February 29, 2020, the driver should not be cited for driving without a valid license.

Likewise, a driver with evidence of a medical examiner’s certificate and any required medical variance that was valid on February 29, 2020 and expired on or after March 1, 2020, shall not be cited for failure to maintain medical examiner’s certificate.

FMCSA also continues to recognize the validity of commercial driver’s licenses issued by Canadian Provinces and Territories and Licencias Federales de Conductor issued by the United Mexican States, when such jurisdictions issue a similar notice or declaration extending the validity date of the medical examiner’s certificate and/or validity of the corresponding commercial driver’s license due to interruption to government service resulting from COVID-19.

This enforcement policy shall be effective through September 30, 2020. Thank you for your cooperation as we allow qualified commercial motor vehicle drivers to operate during this difficult time.

For additional information related to the FMCSA Waiver in Response to the COVID-19 National Emergency for States, CDL Holders, CLP Holders, and Interstate Drivers Operating Commercial Motor Vehicles, and current FMCSA Emergency Declarations or Waivers, please visit the FMCSA Coronavirus (COVID-19) Information and Resources website at www.fmcsa.dot.gov/COVID-19.