

# Legislative Analysis



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**House Bill 4787 as reported from committee**

**Sponsor: Rep. Gregory Markkenan**

**Committee: Transportation**

**Complete to 6-23-21**

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## SUMMARY:

House Bill 4787 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to allow the secretary of state to waive the commercial driver's license (CDL) knowledge test for applicants with relevant military vehicle experience.

The Michigan Vehicle Code requires applicants for a commercial driver's license to take a knowledge test and a driving skills test—but it allows the secretary of state to waive the skills test for applicants who have military commercial motor vehicle experience and who continuously met federal commercial driver's license requirements<sup>1</sup> during the two years preceding their application.

The bill would allow the secretary of state to also waive the knowledge test for these drivers.

MCL 257.312f

## FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the state or local units of government.

## POSITIONS:

A representative of the Department of State testified in support of the bill. (5-25-21)

The following entities indicated support for the bill:

- Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (5-25-21)
- Dairy Farmers of America (6-8-21)
- Meijer (6-8-21)
- Michigan Dairy Foods Association (6-8-21)
- Michigan Propane and Gas Association (6-8-21)
- Michigan Retailers Association (6-8-21)

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2011-title49-vol5/pdf/CFR-2011-title49-vol5-part383.pdf>