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Bill Analysis

SB 1243 requires any person operating a motor vehicle to be a citizen or a lawful resident. The measure directs Service Oklahoma to determine the status of a license applicant. If it is unable to determine the applicant's status, it shall inform the applicant that his or her citizenship status is undetermined. Service Oklahoma must determine the applicant's status prior to granting a license. Noncitizen applicants must present proof of their lawful presence. Citizens who apply for an original, renewal, or replacement REAL ID Compliant or Noncompliant Driver License or ID Card shall be issued a driver license or identification card bearing the words "United States Citizen". Lawful residents shall receive a document bearing the words "Lawfully Present Noncitizen". Lawful residents who become a citizen shall apply for a replacement within 30 days reflecting their changed status. The measure directs Service Oklahoma to review and update its existing records to indicate the citizenship status of each individual who has received a driver license or identification card from Service Oklahoma within 6 months of the effective date. The measure provides that a person who is not lawfully present in the United States who received a state issued driver license or ID card shall be subject to certain criminal penalties.

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