

## OPINION NO. 68-109

**Syllabus:**

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**To: Fred Rice, Registrar, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio**  
**By: William B. Saxbe, Attorney General, July 5, 1968**

I have before me your request for my opinion on the following question, which I will paraphrase:

Is a serviceman who is on an overnight or weekend pass included within the exemptions set forth in Section 4507.03 of the Revised Code, and thus expressly exempt from Sections 4507.01 to 4507.39, Revised Code, inclusive?

From reading the pertinent legislation and discerning the intent of the legislature in passing it, the purpose of the law is to benefit servicemen who find it impossible or inconvenient to renew their Ohio driver's licenses while on active duty. To exempt servicemen while only on leave or furlough would seem to defeat the basic intent of the legislature in providing benefits to our men in uniform. The distinction between a weekend pass and a leave or furlough, for the purpose of Section 4507.03, supra, is not significant.

Therefore, it is my opinion that a serviceman on an overnight or weekend pass is included within the exemptions set forth in Section 4507.03, Revised Code, which exempts certain persons from the Driver's License Law, Sections 4507.01 to 4507.39, inclusive, of the Revised Code.