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Texas driver license gets makeover

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DPS is unveiling a redesigned Texas driver license and identification card with a new look and enhanced security features.

“The changes will give law enforcement improved resources for verifying the authenticity of Texas- issued driver licenses and identification cards, while combating counterfeiting, photo swapping, tampering and other types of fraud,” said DPS Director Col. Stanley E. Clark.

The licenses and ID cards contain numerous security features, which DPS will not discuss publicly.

Production of the new cards began April 15 for customers receiving new, renewal or duplicate licenses and ID cards. The vertical format for customers under 21 will continue.

Current driver licenses and ID cards are still valid and will be phased out as they expire. The last redesign took place in June 2001.

DPS is sending out information to Texas law enforcement agencies, financial institutions and other state agencies to educate them on these changes.

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