

**TITLE 3: HUMAN RESOURCES**  
**DIVISION 4: EMPLOYMENT AND REGISTRATION**

**§ 4981. Registration of Aliens.**

Every alien who remains in the Commonwealth longer than 90 days shall by regulation be required to be registered. Registration shall be renewed annually. The parents or legal guardians of aliens under the age of 18 are responsible for such child's registration.

(b) Registration shall be conducted by the Department for all classes of aliens. Registration information may be taken on oath or by declaration. Such registration information as the Secretary may require is confidential and may be made available only on request of law enforcement authorities in connection with criminal or juvenile delinquency investigations.

(c) Registered aliens will be issued an identification card, which will contain the name of the alien, the LIDS number, such identifying information as the Secretary may require, and the expiration date of the card.

(d) Registered aliens 18 years old or older shall keep their identification card in their personal possession or control at all times.

(e) Any alien who knowingly fails to comply with this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or fine of not more than \$500 or both.

(f) An alien, for purposes of this section, is any person who is not a citizen, national, or permanent resident of the United States, or a CNMI permanent resident as provided by Commonwealth law prior to April 23, 1981.

**Source:** PL 17-1 § 5(R)(5001) (March 22, 2010).\*

**Commission Comment:** \*PL 17-1 (enacted on March 22, 2010) contained the following effective date provision:

Section 12. Effective date. This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or becoming law without such approval and shall be retroactive to November 28, 2009 except as otherwise specifically provided herein.

For more information regarding Public Law 17-1, see comment to 3 CMC § 4511.