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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 320

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT RELATING TO DRIVER'S EDUCATION; REPEALING CHAPTER 17, TITLE 33, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO DRIVER TRAINING COURSES; AMENDING SECTION 49-303, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING LICENSING PROHIBITIONS; REPEAL-ING SECTION 49-307, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO CLASS D DRIVER'S TRAINING INSTRUCTION PERMITS, CLASS D SUPERVISED INSTRUCTION PERMITS, AND AP-PLICATIONS FOR CLASS D DRIVER'S LICENSES; AMENDING CHAPTER 3, TITLE 49, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 49-307, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR CLASS D LEARNER'S PERMITS, CLASS D INTERMEDIATE LICENSES, 10 AND APPLICATIONS; AND AMENDING SECTION 49-307A, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING RESTRICTED SCHOOL ATTENDANCE DRIVING PERMITS. 11

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

13 SECTION 1. That Chapter 17, Title 33, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed. 14

SECTION 2. That Section 49-303, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 49-303. WHAT PERSONS SHALL NOT BE LICENSED. The department shall not issue any driver's license, any instruction permit, privileges or right to drive and if issued, may revoke or cancel the driver's license of a person
- (1) As an operator of a vehicle requiring a class D driver's license, is under the age of seventeen (17) years, except that the department may issue a driver's license to any person who has successfully completed an approved driver's training course, has completed the requirements of a class D supervised instruction permit, and who is at least fifteen (15) years of age, with driving privileges restricted to daylight hours only except as provided in section 49-307(9), Idaho Code, and with full privileges at sixteen (16) years of age. The restriction of daylight hours only shall mean that period of time one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one-half (1/2) hour after sunset. If a person who is at least fifteen (15) years but is under seventeen (17) years of age has successfully completed an approved driver's training course and has been issued a driver's license in another state, he may be issued a class D driver's license in this state. Provided however, that a A restricted school attendance driving permit may be issued to those persons meeting the criteria set forth in section 49-307A, Idaho Code.
- (2) As an operator of a vehicle requiring a class D driver's license, is under the age of seventeen (17) years and has not successfully completed an approved driver's training course and has not satisfied the requirements of a class D supervised instruction permit. Provided however, that a restricted school attendance driving permit may be issued to those persons meeting the criteria set forth in section 49-307A, Idaho Code.

(3) As an operator of a commercial vehicle requiring a class A, B or C driver's license is under the age of eighteen (18) years.

- (43) Applicants with less than one (1) year of driving experience, as evidenced by a previous driver's license shall not be issued a class A, B or C driver's license or a class A, B or C instruction permit.
- $(5\underline{4})$ As a driver has had his license, class D instruction permit, restricted school attendance driving permit, privileges or right to drive suspended for the duration of the suspension, nor to any person who has had his class D driver's training instruction permit or class D supervised instruction permit canceled for the duration of the cancellation, nor to any person whose license has been revoked, suspended, canceled or disqualified by this state or any other jurisdiction; provided however, where a driver's license has been revoked, suspended, canceled or disqualified in any other jurisdiction, and the driver has completed the period of revocation, suspension, cancellation or disqualification as specified by the jurisdiction, that person may be granted a class D driver's license in this state if five (5) years have elapsed from the time of eligibility for reinstatement in the other jurisdiction, even though the driver has not fulfilled the requirements for reinstatement in the other jurisdiction.
- (65) Has been adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be an habitual drunkard or addicted to the use of narcotic drugs, and such order has been received by the department.
- $(7\underline{6})$ Has been adjudged by a licensed physician or by a court of competent jurisdiction to be afflicted with or suffering from any mental incompetence that would affect the person's ability to safely operate a motor vehicle and who has not at the time of application been restored to competency by the methods provided by law, and such order has been received by the department.
- (87) Is required by the provisions of this chapter to take an examination, unless that person shall have successfully passed such examination.
- (98) May be required under any law of this state to furnish proof of financial responsibility and who has not furnished that proof.
- (109) The department has good cause to believe that the operation of a motor vehicle on the highways by that person would be harmful to public safety or welfare.
- $(1\pm\underline{0})$ Is disqualified for a class A, B or C driver's license, except he may be issued a class D driver's license.
- $(12\underline{1})$ Is under eighteen (18) years of age and is not enrolled in school, has not received a waiver pursuant to or has not satisfactorily completed school as provided in section 49-303A, Idaho Code.
 - (132) Is not a resident of the state of Idaho.
 - (143) Is not lawfully present in the United States.
- SECTION 3. That Section $\underline{49-307}$, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 4. That Chapter 3, Title 49, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a <u>NEW SECTION</u>, to be known and designated as Section 49-307, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

49-307. CLASS D INSTRUCTION PERMIT -- CLASS D INTERMEDIATE LICENSE -- APPLICATION FOR A CLASS D DRIVER'S LICENSE. (1) A person who is fourteen (14) through fifteen (15) years of age may apply for a learner's permit. Both the applicant and his legal guardian must apply in person. The applicant must pass a written driver's knowledge test and a vision test to receive a learner's permit. Every applicant shall provide his full name, date of birth, sex, social security number, residence address, and a certified copy of his birth certificate.

- (2) A learner's permit shall allow a person to drive with a parent or legal guardian. Each parent or legal guardian riding with a learner's permit holder shall document the learner's permit holder's hours of driving experience.
- (3) An intermediate license shall be issued upon the successful completion of a written driver's knowledge test, a vision test, and the driving examination provided for in section 49-313, Idaho Code, to:
 - (a) A learner's permit license holder over the age of sixteen (16) years who has obtained at least fifty (50) documented hours of supervised driving with one (1) or more parents or legal guardians and who has been crash-free and criminal conviction-free for six (6) months; or
 - (b) A person over the age of sixteen (16) years and under the age of eighteen (18) years who has not previously held a driver's license or a learner's permit but who has successfully completed a driver's education course.
- (4) An intermediate license shall allow a person to drive without a parent or legal guardian; however, such license holder shall not drive between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m., unless accompanied by a licensed driver twenty-one (21) years of age or older. Drivers with an intermediate license may not drive with more than one (1) nonfamily passenger under twenty-one (21) years of age, unless accompanied by a licensed driver twenty-one (21) years of age or older.
- (5) Notwithstanding any other provision in this chapter, persons aged seventeen (17) years or older may become licensed upon the successful completion of a written driver's knowledge test, a vision test, and the driving examination provided for in section 49-313, Idaho Code.

SECTION 5. That Section 49-307A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 49-307A. RESTRICTED SCHOOL ATTENDANCE DRIVING PERMIT. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter applying to licenses or permits, and notwithstanding the minimum age requirement for a driver training course specified in section 33-1703, Idaho Code, other than those provisions specifically applying to restricted school attendance driving permits:
- (1) The department may issue a restricted school attendance driving permit to a minor fourteen (14) years of age, but less than sixteen (16) years of age, provided the following:
 - (a) The minor resides in an Idaho school district with a population of less than one hundred fifty (150) people;
 - (b) The minor attends an educational program as identified in section 49-303A, Idaho Code, and complies with the provisions of section

49-303A, Idaho Code, including submission of verification of attendance compliance by the school district to the department; and

- (c) There is no school bus service provided to transport the minor to and from school, as verified by the school district to the department.
- (2) The permit, if issued, shall only entitle the minor to drive to and from school, and school sponsored activities occurring at the school where enrolled, between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.

- (3) The minor must have completed a driver training course and comply with section 49-310, Idaho Code, as a condition of issuance of a permit pursuant to the provisions of this section.
- (4) The restricted school attendance driving permit shall be canceled for conviction of any traffic offense and shall not be reissued.
- (5) In the event the student terminates their school enrollment in the district in which they have qualified for a restricted school attendance driving permit, the permit shall be canceled.