

An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2102

By: Bennett, Waldron, Alonso-
Sandoval, and Hefner of the
House

and

Stanley of the Senate

An Act relating to student drivers; creating the Hope Shaffer Act; prohibiting student driver from operating a motor vehicle when other students are passengers; providing an exception; requiring specified statement be included in waiver; prohibiting refusal of service in certain cases; defining term; providing for noncodification; and providing for codification.

SUBJECT: Student drivers

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Hope Shaffer Act".

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 19-124 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Except as provided in subsection B of this section, each commercial driver training school as defined in Section 801 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes or school district providing driver education training or classes shall only allow a student driver

receiving instruction to operate the motor vehicle when there are no other student drivers in the motor vehicle as passengers.

B. The parent or legal guardian of a student driver may sign a waiver which would allow the student driver to ride as a passenger in a motor vehicle that is being operated by another student driver. The waiver shall be on a separate form and include the following statement: "I understand if my child is a passenger in a motor vehicle operated by a student driver, there is a risk of death, serious injury, or collision." If the parent or legal guardian refuses to sign the waiver, the commercial driver training school or school district shall not refuse to admit the student driver.

C. As used in this section, "student driver" shall mean any person receiving driver education training who is younger than eighteen (18) years of age.

Passed the House of Representatives the 20th day of March, 2023.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 23rd day of April, 2024.

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