
SENATE BILL 5953

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By Senators Hargrove and Eide

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1 AN ACT Relating to written parental permission for an intermediate
2 driver's license holder to operate a vehicle during prohibited hours;
3 and amending RCW 46.20.075 and 43.131.398.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.20.075 and 2000 c 115 s 2 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) An intermediate license authorizes the holder to drive a motor
8 vehicle under the conditions specified in this section. An applicant
9 for an intermediate license must be at least sixteen years of age and:

10 (a) Have possessed a valid instruction permit for a period of not
11 less than six months;

12 (b) Have passed a driver licensing examination administered by the
13 department;

14 (c) Have passed a course of driver's education in accordance with
15 the standards established in RCW 46.20.100;

16 (d) Present certification by his or her parent, guardian, or
17 employer to the department stating (i) that the applicant has had at
18 least fifty hours of driving experience, ten of which were at night,
19 during which the driver was supervised by a person at least twenty-one

1 years of age who has had a valid driver's license for at least three
2 years, and (ii) that the applicant has not been issued a notice of
3 traffic infraction or cited for a traffic violation that is pending at
4 the time of the application for the intermediate license;

5 (e) Not have been convicted of or found to have committed a traffic
6 violation within the last six months before the application for the
7 intermediate license; and

8 (f) Not have been adjudicated for an offense involving the use of
9 alcohol or drugs during the period the applicant held an instruction
10 permit.

11 (2) For the first six months after the issuance of an intermediate
12 license or until the holder reaches eighteen years of age, whichever
13 occurs first, the holder of the license may not operate a motor vehicle
14 that is carrying any passengers under the age of twenty who are not
15 members of the holder's immediate family as defined in RCW 42.17.020.
16 For the remaining period of the intermediate license, the holder may
17 not operate a motor vehicle that is carrying more than three passengers
18 who are under the age of twenty who are not members of the holder's
19 immediate family.

20 (3) The holder of an intermediate license may not operate a motor
21 vehicle between the hours of 1 a.m. and 5 a.m. except when the holder
22 is accompanied by (~~a parent, guardian, or~~) a licensed driver who is
23 at least twenty-five years of age or has in his or her possession a
24 note signed by a parent or guardian within the preceding six months
25 granting permission for the holder to operate a motor vehicle between
26 the hours of 1 a.m. and 5 a.m.

27 (4) It is a traffic infraction for the holder of an intermediate
28 license to operate a motor vehicle in violation of the restrictions
29 imposed under this section.

30 (5) Enforcement of this section by law enforcement officers may be
31 accomplished only as a secondary action when a driver of a motor
32 vehicle has been detained for a suspected violation of this title or an
33 equivalent local ordinance or some other offense.

34 (6) An intermediate licensee may drive at any hour without
35 restrictions on the number of passengers in the vehicle if necessary
36 for agricultural purposes.

37 (7) An intermediate licensee may drive at any hour without
38 restrictions on the number of passengers in the vehicle if, for the

1 twelve-month period following the issuance of the intermediate license,
2 he or she:

- 3 (a) Has not been involved in an automobile accident; and
- 4 (b) Has not been convicted or found to have committed a traffic
5 offense described in chapter 46.61 RCW or violated restrictions placed
6 on an intermediate licensee under this section.

7 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.131.398 and 2000 c 115 s 13 are each amended to
8 read as follows:

9 The following acts or parts of acts, as now existing or hereafter
10 amended, are each repealed, effective June 30, 2009:

- 11 (1) 2000 c 115 s 1 (uncodified);
- 12 (2) RCW ((~~42.20.075~~)) 46.20.075 and 2001 c ... s 1 (section 1 of
13 this act) & 2000 c 115 s 2;
- 14 (3) RCW 46.20.267 and 2000 c 115 s 3;
- 15 (4) The amendment of RCW 46.20.105 by 2000 c 115 s 5;
- 16 (5) The amendment of RCW 46.20.161 by 2000 c 115 s 6;
- 17 (6) The amendment of RCW 46.20.311 by 2000 c 115 s 7;
- 18 (7) The amendment of RCW 46.20.342 by 2000 c 115 s 8; and
- 19 (8) RCW 28A.220.070 and 2000 c 115 s 11.

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