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LEGISLATIVE BILL 831

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Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

A BILL

- FOR AN ACT relating to the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act;

 to amend section 60-4,124, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 3 Supplement, 2008; to change provisions relating to school
- 4 permits; and to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 60-4,124, Revised Statutes Cumulative

- 2 Supplement, 2008, is amended to read:
- 3 60-4,124 (1) (a) A person who is younger than sixteen
- 4 years and three months of age but is older than fourteen years
- 5 and two months of age may be issued a school permit if (i) such
- 6 person lives a distance of one and one-half miles or more from the
- 7 school he or she attends and either resides outside a city of the
- 8 metropolitan, primary, or first class or attends a school which is
- 9 outside a city of the metropolitan, primary, or first class and if
- 10 such person has held an LPE-learner's permit for two months or (ii)
- 11 such person lives a distance of one and one-half miles or more from
- 12 the school he or she attends and resides in a city of the first
- 13 class and if such person has held an LPE-learner's permit for two
- 14 months.
- 15 (b) A school permit shall not be issued until such
- 16 person has demonstrated that he or she is capable of successfully
- 17 operating a motor vehicle, moped, or motorcycle and has in
- 18 his or her possession an issuance certificate authorizing the
- 19 county treasurer to issue a school permit. In order to obtain an
- 20 issuance certificate, the applicant shall present (a) (i) proof of
- 21 successful completion of a department-approved driver safety course
- 22 which includes behind-the-wheel driving specifically emphasizing
- 23 (i) (A) the effects of the consumption of alcohol on a person
- 24 operating a motor vehicle, (ii) (B) occupant protection systems,
- 25 (iii) (C) risk assessment, and (iv) (D) railroad crossing safety

and (b)(i) (ii) (A) proof of successful completion of a written 1 2 examination and driving test administered by a driver safety course 3 instructor or (ii) (B) a certificate in a form prescribed by the department, signed by a parent, guardian, or licensed driver at 4 5 least twenty-one years of age, verifying that the applicant has 6 completed fifty hours of lawful motor vehicle operation, under 7 conditions that reflect department-approved driver safety course 8 curriculum, with a parent, guardian, or adult at least twenty-one 9 years of age, who has a current Nebraska operator's license or who 10 is licensed in another state. The department may waive the written 11 examination if the applicant has been issued an LPE-learner's 12 permit or LPD-learner's permit and if such permit is valid or has 13 expired no more than one year prior to application. The written 14 examination shall not be waived if the permit being applied for 15 contains a class or endorsement which is different from the class 16 or endorsement of the LPE-learner's permit.

- 17 (2) A person holding a school permit may operate a motor 18 vehicle, moped, or motorcycle:
- 19 (a) To and from where he or she attends school and
 20 between schools of enrollment over the most direct and accessible
 21 route by the nearest highway from his or her place of residence
 22 to transport such person or any family member who resides with
 23 such person to attend duly scheduled courses of instruction and
 24 extracurricular or school-related activities at the school he or
 25 she attends; or

1 (b) Under the personal supervision of a licensed

- 2 operator. Such licensed operator shall be at least twenty-one years
- 3 of age and licensed by this state or another state and shall
- 4 actually occupy the seat beside the permitholder or, in the case of
- 5 a motorcycle or moped, if the permitholder is within visual contact
- 6 of and under the supervision of, in the case of a motorcycle, a
- 7 licensed motorcycle operator or, in the case of a moped, a licensed
- 8 motor vehicle operator.
- 9 (3) The holder of a school permit shall not use any
- 10 type of interactive wireless communication device while operating a
- 11 motor vehicle on the highways of this state. Enforcement of this
- 12 subsection shall be accomplished only as a secondary action when
- 13 the holder of the school permit has been cited or charged with a
- 14 violation of some other law.
- 15 (4) A person who is younger than sixteen years of age
- 16 but is over fourteen years of age may be issued an LPE-learner's
- 17 permit, which permit shall be valid for a period of three months.
- 18 An LPE-learner's permit shall not be issued until such person
- 19 successfully completes a written examination prescribed by the
- 20 department and demonstrates that he or she has sufficient powers of
- 21 eyesight to safely operate a motor vehicle, moped, or motorcycle.
- 22 (5)(a) While holding the LPE-learner's permit, the person
- 23 may operate a motor vehicle on the highways of this state if he
- 24 or she has seated next to him or her a person who is a licensed
- 25 operator or, in the case of a motorcycle or moped, if he or she is

1 within visual contact of and is under the supervision of a person

- 2 who, in the case of a motorcycle, is a licensed motorcycle operator
- 3 or, in the case of a moped, is a licensed motor vehicle operator.
- 4 Such licensed motor vehicle or motorcycle operator shall be at
- 5 least twenty-one years of age and licensed by this state or another
- 6 state.
- 7 (b) The holder of an LPE-learner's permit shall not
- 8 use any type of interactive wireless communication device while
- 9 operating a motor vehicle on the highways of this state.
- 10 Enforcement of this subdivision shall be accomplished only as a
- 11 secondary action when the holder of the LPE-learner's permit has
- 12 been cited or charged with a violation of some other law.
- 13 (6) The county treasurer shall collect the fee and
- 14 surcharge prescribed in section 60-4,115 from each successful
- 15 applicant for a school or LPE-learner's permit. All school permits
- 16 shall be subject to impoundment or revocation under the terms of
- 17 section 60-496. Any person who violates the terms of a school
- 18 permit shall be guilty of an infraction and shall not be eligible
- 19 for another school, farm, LPD-learner's, or LPE-learner's permit
- 20 until he or she has attained the age of sixteen years.
- 21 Sec. 2. Original section 60-4,124, Revised Statutes
- 22 Cumulative Supplement, 2008, is repealed.