Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Thursday, January 3, 2019

SENATE BILL NO. 2157
(Senators Schaible, Wardner)
(Representatives Rohr, Schmidt)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 39-06-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the age of students enrolled in a driver's training course.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 39-06-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

39-06-05. Restricted instruction permit - When instruction permit not required - Driver's training course.

1. The director upon receiving proper application may issue a restricted instruction permit effective for a school year or more restricted period to an applicant who is at least fourteen years of age and enrolled in a commercial driver training course that includes practice driving and which is approved by the director of the highway patrol under chapter 39-25. The restricted instruction permit entitles the permittee when the permittee has the permit in the permittee's immediate possession to operate a motor vehicle with an approved instructor occupying a seat beside the permittee and on a designated highway or within a designated area.

2. ~~Any~~

   a. Subject to subdivision b, any student ~~who is at least fourteen years of age and~~ enrolled in behind-the-wheel driver's training through a high school program approved by the superintendent of public instruction may operate a motor vehicle, under the supervision of a driver training instructor certified by the superintendent of public instruction, without a permit or license to operate a motor vehicle, if the school district sponsoring the driver's training program has an insurance policy covering any damage that may be done by a student while operating the vehicle and proof of coverage is filed with the superintendent of public instruction by the school district's insurance carrier. The insurance coverage must be in the amount required ~~under section 39-16.1-02~~to establish proof of financial responsibility.

   b. A student may not enroll in a driver's training course through a high school program approved by the superintendent of public instruction unless the student will be at least fourteen years of age by the completion date of the classroom portion of the driver's training course. A student may not participate in the behind-the-wheel driver's training portion of the driver's training course until the student is at least fourteen years of age. A student must complete the driver's training course's required amount of behind-the-wheel driver's training before successfully completing the course.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2157.

Senate Vote:	Yeas 47	Nays 0	Absent 0
House Vote:	Yeas 90	Nays 0	Absent 4

Secretary of the Senate

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Approved at 1:44 PM. on March 20, 2019.

Governor

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at 9:09 o'clock A. M.

Secretary of State