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SENATE BILL DRS45456-MWa-167

Short Title: DMV/Mdfy Req for Driving Perm/Prov License. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Ford (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO TEMPORARILY MODIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUANCE OF A LIMITED LEARNER'S PERMIT AND PROVISIONAL DRIVERS LICENSE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) Notwithstanding G.S. 20-11(c)(3), for the first three months after issuance, the permit holder may drive only between the hours of 5:00 A.M. and 9:00 P.M.

SECTION 1.(b) Notwithstanding G.S. 20-11(c)(4), after the first three months after issuance, the permit holder may drive at any time.

SECTION 1.(c) Notwithstanding G.S. 20-11(d)(1), a person only has to have held a limited learner's permit issued by the Division for at least six months.

SECTION 1.(d) Notwithstanding G.S. 20-11(h)(2), a person may obtain a full provisional license if the person has completed a drivers education program that meets the requirements of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, has held the license issued by the other state for at least six months, and has not been convicted during the preceding six months of a motor vehicle moving violation, a seat belt infraction, or an offense committed in another jurisdiction that would be a motor vehicle moving violation or seat belt infraction if committed in this State.

SECTION 1.(e) Notwithstanding G.S. 20-11(h)(3), a person may obtain a limited provisional license if the person has completed a drivers education program that meets the requirements of the Superintendent of Public Instruction but either did not hold the license issued by the other state for at least six months or was convicted during the preceding six months of a motor vehicle moving violation, a seat belt infraction, or an offense committed in another jurisdiction that would be a motor vehicle moving violation or seat belt infraction if committed in this State.

SECTION 1.(f) Notwithstanding G.S. 20-11(h1)(1), a person may obtain a limited provisional license if the person has completed a drivers education program that meets the requirements of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, held the restricted license issued by the other state for at least six months, and whose parent or guardian certifies that the person has not been convicted during the preceding six months of a motor vehicle moving violation, a seat belt infraction, or an offense committed in another jurisdiction that would be a motor vehicle moving violation or seat belt infraction if committed in this State.

SECTION 1.(g) Notwithstanding G.S. 20-11(h1)(2), a person may obtain a limited learner's permit if the person has completed a drivers education program that meets the requirements of the Superintendent of Public Instruction but either did not hold the restricted license issued by the other state for at least six months or was convicted during the preceding six months of a motor vehicle moving violation, a seat belt infraction, or an offense committed in



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1 another jurisdiction that would be a motor vehicle moving violation or seat belt infraction if
2 committed in this State. A person who qualifies for a limited learner's permit under this
3 subsection and whose parent or guardian certifies that the person has not been convicted of a
4 moving violation in the preceding six months shall be deemed to have held a limited learner's
5 permit in this State for each month the person held a restricted license in another state.

6 **SECTION 2.** The modifications in Section 1 of this act do not negate the other
7 requirements to obtain a limited learner's permit or provisional drivers license set forth in
8 G.S. 20-11.

9 **SECTION 3.** There is appropriated from the Highway Fund to the Division of Motor
10 Vehicles the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the 2019-2020 fiscal year in nonrecurring
11 funds for the purpose of implementing this act.

12 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to persons that
13 turned 15 years of age on or after March 1, 2020. This act expires June 30, 2021.