House Bill 466 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 5 of Title 40 and Chapter 13 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to drivers' licenses and driver training schools, respectively, so as to provide for driver education training courses; to provide for requirements for the issuance of Class C and Class D drivers' licenses; to provide for exemptions; to allow driver training schools to conduct on-the-road testing; to provide for driving training requirements; to provide for waiver of certain fees; to provide for standards for examination of applicants by a driver training school; to provide for issuance of a license to driving school instructors to teach certain courses and perform driver's examinations; to provide for transfer of ownership of driver training schools, risk reduction programs, and driver improvement programs; to provide for definitions and conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to drivers' licenses, is amended in Code Section 40-5-1, relating to definitions, by adding new paragraphs to read as follows:

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"(8.1) 'Driver education training course' means any course approved by the department pursuant to Code Section 40-5-10.

(8.2) 'Driver training school' means any person licensed by the department pursuant to Chapter 13 of Title 43."

SECTION 2.

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"40-5-10.

(a) The department shall establish standards for approval of curriculum for a driver education training course, provided that such course shall be designed to educate young drivers about safe driving practices and the traffic laws of this state and to train young drivers in the safe operation of motor vehicles.

(b) The department shall provide for the approval of similar courses from other states to satisfy the requirements of this chapter relating to driver education training courses for any child moving into this state within nine months of his or her sixteenth birthday when the child's parent is in the active military service of the United States.

(c) Driver education training courses may be offered:

(1) By the department, a driver training school, a public or private high school, or a home education instructor; and

(2) Through in-person instruction, online courses, or remote participation platforms provided by in-person instruction providers.

(d) The department shall promulgate rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Code section."

SECTION 3.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-22, relating to persons not to be licensed, minimum ages for licensees, school enrollment requirements, driving training
requirements, limited driving permit, and expired licenses, by revising subsections (a) and (a.2) as follows:

"(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, the department shall not issue any Class C driver's license to any person who is under 18 years of age or Class M driver's license to any person who is under the age of 17 years of age, except that the department may, under subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-24, issue a Class P instruction permit permitting the operation of a noncommercial Class C vehicle to any person who is at least 15 years of age, and may, under subsection (b) of Code Section 40-5-24, issue a Class D driver's license permitting the operation of a noncommercial Class C vehicle to any person who is at least 17 years of age. On and after January 1, 1985, the department shall not issue any driver's license to any person under 18 years of age unless such person presents a certificate or other evidence acceptable to the department which indicates satisfactory completion of an alcohol and drug course as prescribed in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-142; provided, however, that a person under 18 years of age who becomes a resident of this state and who has in his or her immediate possession a valid license issued to him or her in another state or country shall not be required to take or complete the alcohol and drug course. The department shall not issue a driver's license or a Class P instruction permit for the operation of a Class A or B vehicle or any commercial driver's license to any person who is under the age of 18 years of age."

"(a.2)(1) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection On and after January 1, 2002, the department shall not issue any initial Class D driver's license or, in the case of a person who has never been issued a Class D driver's license by the department or the equivalent thereof by any other jurisdiction, any initial Class C driver's license to a person under 18 years of age unless such person:

(A) Is at least 16 years of age and has;

(B) Has completed an approved a driver education course in a licensed private or public driver training school and in addition has a;
(C) Has completed an alcohol and drug course as prescribed in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-142; and

(D) Has completed a cumulative total of at least 40 hours of other supervised driving experience, including at least six hours at night, all of which is verified in writing signed before a person authorized to administer oaths by a parent or guardian of the applicant or by the applicant if such person is at least 18 years of age; or provided, however, that such affidavit shall not be required when behind-the-wheel training has been provided by a driver training school.

(B) Is at least 17 years of age and has completed a cumulative total of at least 40 hours of supervised driving experience including at least six hours at night, and the same is verified in writing signed before a person authorized to administer oaths by a parent or guardian of the applicant or by the applicant if such person is at least 18 years of age; provided, however, that a person 17 years of age or older who becomes a resident of this state, who meets all of the qualifications for issuance of a Class C license with the exception of the completion of an approved driver education training course and at least 40 hours of supervised driving experience as required by this subsection, and

(2) Any person under 18 years of age who has in his or her immediate possession a valid license equivalent to a Class C license issued to him or her in another state or country shall be entitled to receive a Class C license.

(2)(3) The commissioner shall by rule or regulation establish standards for approval of any driver education course for purposes of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of this subsection, provided that such course shall be designed to educate young drivers about safe driving practices and the traffic laws of this state and to train young drivers in the safe operation of motor vehicles, and provided, further, that the commissioner shall provide for the approval of courses from other states to satisfy the requirements of this paragraph Code section for any child moving into this state within nine months of his or
her sixteenth birthday when the child's parent is in the active military service of the United States.

(3)(4) For purposes of supervised driving experience under paragraph (1) of this subsection, supervision shall be provided by a person at least 21 years of age who is licensed as a driver for a commercial or noncommercial Class C vehicle, who is fit and capable of exercising control over the vehicle, and who is occupying a seat beside the driver.

(4) For the purposes of this Code section, the term 'approved driver education training course' shall include those driver education training courses approved by the Department of Driver Services.

(5) For purposes of this Code section, the term 'approved driver education training course' shall include instruction given in the course of a home education program that satisfies the reporting requirements of all state laws governing such programs, provided that such instruction utilizes a curriculum approved by the department."

SECTION 4.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-24, relating to instruction permits, graduated licensing and related restrictions, and temporary licenses, by revising paragraphs (2) and (3) of subsection (a) and subsections (b), (c), and (f) as follows:

"(2) A person who has been issued an instruction permit under this subsection and has never been issued a Class D driver's license under subsection (b) of this Code section will become eligible for a Class D driver's license under subsection (b) of this Code section only if such person is at least 17 years of age, has a valid instruction permit which is not under suspension, and, for a period of not less than 12 consecutive months prior to making application for a Class D driver's license, has not been convicted of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391, hit and run or leaving the scene of an accident in violation of Code Section 40-6-270, racing on highways or streets, using a motor vehicle in fleeing
or attempting to elude an officer, reckless driving, or convicted of any offense for which four or more points are assessable under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-57; provided, however, that a person who is at least 16 years of age and meets all of the other qualifications of this paragraph except for age who has completed an approved driver education training course as provided in subsection (a.2) of Code Section 40-5-22 will be eligible for a Class D driver's license.

(3)(2) This subsection does not apply to instruction permits for the operation of motorcycles.

(b)(1)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, any resident of this state who is at least 17 years of age and who, for a period of at least 12 months, had a valid instruction permit issued under subsection (a) of this Code section may apply to the department for a Class D driver's license to operate a noncommercial Class C vehicle if such resident has otherwise complied with all prerequisites for the issuance of such Class D driver's license as provided in subsection (a) of this Code section, provided that a:

(i) For a period of not less than 12 consecutive months prior to making application for a Class D driver's license, not been convicted of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391, hit and run or leaving the scene of an accident in violation of Code Section 40-6-270, racing on highways or streets in violation of Code Section 40-6-186, using a motor vehicle in fleeing or attempting to elude an officer in violation of Code Section 40-6-395, reckless driving in violation of Code Section 40-6-390, or convicted of any offense for which four or more points are assessable under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-57; and

(ii) Completed the requisite courses and supervised driving experience set forth in subsection (a.2) of Code Section 40-5-22.

(B) Any resident at least 17 years of age who has at any age surrendered to the department a valid instruction permit or driver's license issued by another state or the
District of Columbia or who has submitted to the department proof, to the satisfaction of the department, of a valid instruction permit or driver's license issued by another state or the District of Columbia may apply his or her driving record under such previously issued permit or driver's license toward meeting the eligibility requirements for a Class D driver's license the same as if such previously issued permit or driver's license were an instruction permit issued under subsection (a) of this Code section; provided, however, that a person who is at least 16 years of age and meets all of the other qualifications of this paragraph except for age who has completed an approved driver education training course as provided in subsection (a.2) of Code Section 40-5-22 may apply for a Class D driver's license.

(2) The department shall, after all applicable requirements have been met, issue to the applicant a Class D driver's license which shall entitle the applicant, while having such license in his or her immediate possession, to drive a Class C vehicle upon the public highways of this state under the following conditions:

(A) Any Class D license holder shall not drive a Class C motor vehicle on the public roads, streets, or highways of this state between the hours of 12:00 Midnight and 5:00 A.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable; and

(B)(i) Any Class D license holder shall not drive a Class C motor vehicle upon the public roads, streets, or highways of this state when more than three other passengers in the vehicle who are not members of the driver's immediate family are less than 21 years of age.

(ii) During the six-month period immediately following issuance of such license, any Class D license holder shall not drive a Class C motor vehicle upon the public roads, streets, or highways of this state when any other passenger in the vehicle is not a member of the driver's immediate family.

(iii) Notwithstanding the provisions of division (i) of this subparagraph, during the second six-month period immediately following issuance of such license, any Class
D license holder shall not drive a Class C motor vehicle upon the public roads, streets,
or highways of this state when more than one other passenger in the vehicle who is
not a member of the driver's immediate family is less than 21 years of age;
provided, however, that a Class D license holder shall not be charged with a violation of
this paragraph alone but may be charged with violating this paragraph in addition to any
other traffic offense.

(C) For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'immediate family' shall include the
license holder's parents and stepparents, grandparents, siblings and
step-siblings, children, and any other person who resides at the license
holder's residence.

(3) A person who has been issued a Class D driver's license under this subsection and has
never been issued a Class C driver's license under this chapter will become eligible for
a Class C driver's license under this chapter only if such person has a valid Class D
driver's license which is not under suspension and, for a period of not less than 12
consecutive months prior to making application for a Class C driver's license, has not
been convicted of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391, hit and run or leaving the scene
of an accident in violation of Code Section 40-6-270, racing on highways or streets in
violation of Code Section 40-6-186, using a motor vehicle in fleeing or attempting to
elude an officer in violation of Code Section 40-6-395, reckless driving in violation of
Code Section 40-6-390, or convicted of any offense for which four or more points are
assessable under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-57 and is at least 18 years of age;
provided, however, that any person at least 17 years of age who provides proof of
military enlistment and meets all other qualifications of this paragraph, except that such
person has held a Class D driver's license for a period of less than 12 consecutive months,
shall be eligible for a Class C driver's license.

(c) Any resident of this state who is at least 17 years of age may apply to the department
for a noncommercial Class M motorcycle instruction permit. The department shall, after
the applicant has successfully passed all parts of the examination other than the driving test, issue to the applicant an instruction permit which shall entitle the applicant, while having such permit in his or her immediate possession, to drive a motorcycle or a motor driven cycle upon the public highways for a period of six months; provided, however, that a person who is at least 16 years of age and meets all of the other qualifications of this subsection except for age who has completed an approved driver education training course as provided in subsection (a.2) of Code Section 40-5-22 may apply for a Class M motorcycle instruction permit. A motorcycle instruction permit shall not be valid when carrying passengers, on a limited access highway, or at night."

"(f) For the purposes of this Code section, the term 'approved driver education training course' shall include those driver education training courses approved by the Department of Driver Services."

SECTION 5.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-25, relating to applications, fees, waiver of fees, and provisions for voluntary participation in various programs, by revising paragraph (2) of subsection (b) and subsection (f) as follows:

"(2) The department shall waive the license fee for each person applying for a Class P noncommercial instruction permit for a Class C driver's license when the noncommercial knowledge test is to be administered by a licensed driver training school or public or private high school authorized to administer such tests as provided for in subsection (d) of Code Section 40-5-27."

"(f) The General Assembly finds that it is in the best interests of this state to encourage alcohol and drug education to inform young people of the dangers involved in consuming alcohol or certain drugs while operating a motor vehicle. The General Assembly further finds that parental or guardian involvement in an alcohol and drug awareness program will assist in reducing the number of young persons involved in driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs while operating a motor vehicle. The General Assembly further finds that parental or guardian involvement in an alcohol and drug awareness program will assist in reducing the number of young persons involved in driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs while operating a motor vehicle. 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drugs or alcohol. To promote these purposes, where a parent or guardian successfully participates in the parent-guardian component of the alcohol and drug course required by subsection (a) (a.2) of Code Section 40-5-22 as prescribed in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-142, each parent or guardian shall be entitled to a one-time three-year online motor vehicle report.”

SECTION 6.
Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-27, relating to examination of applicants for drivers' licenses, by revising subsection (d) as follows:

"(d) The department shall authorize licensed driver training schools qualified pursuant to the provisions of this subsection to conduct knowledge tests, on-the-road driving skills tests, and other tests required for issuance of a driver's license; provided that any driver training school authorized to conduct such tests shall continue to provide driver education training courses on a full-time basis during any period of time such school is authorized to conduct testing, as provided in this subsection. The department shall, prior to approving a licensed driver training school to conduct tests as provided in this subsection, make a determination that the school has been licensed for a minimum of two years and has conducted driver education courses on a full-time basis for such two-year period and that such school meets all other standards which the department may establish as a condition for approval to conduct such tests."

(1) The department shall authorize a driver training school licensed pursuant to Chapter 13 of Title 43 and approved by the department which has been licensed for a minimum of two years and conducted driver education training courses on a full-time basis for at least two years to administer the on-the-road driving skills testing provided for in this Code section, provided that the applicant has successfully completed:

(A) An applicant under 18 years of age has successfully completed:
(i) A classroom or online driver education training course licensed by the department and which includes a minimum of 30 class hours of instruction; and

(ii) Six hours of private in-car instruction provided by a licensed instructor employed by the licensed driver training school administering such on-the-road driving skills test.

(B) For any An applicant 18 years of age or older, has successfully completed a minimum of six hours of private in-car instruction provided by a licensed instructor employed by the licensed driver training school administering such on-the-road driving skills test.

(2) The department shall authorize a driver training school which has administered the on-the-road driving test as provided for in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of this subsection for five years or more to administer the on-the-road driving test to any applicant 17 years of age or older; provided, however that any driver training school which had administered the on-the-road driving test as provided for in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of this subsection for at least two years on January 1, 2021, shall be authorized to administer the on-the-road driving test to any applicant 17 years of age or older.

(3) The department may establish by rules and regulations the type of tests or demonstrations to be made by applicants for any Class P instruction permit, Class C driver's license, or Class D driver's license under this Code section.

(4) The department may authorize public and private high schools to conduct knowledge tests required for issuance of a Class P instruction permit or Class D driver's license or both.”

SECTION 7.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-83, relating to establishment, approval, and operation of clinics and programs, out-of-state certificates of completion, instructor

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licenses, fees, and submission of fingerprints by applicants, by revising paragraphs (1.1) and (2) of subsection (a) and subsection (c) as follows:

"(1.1) No driver improvement clinic shall be permitted to use, adopt, or conduct any business under any name that is like or deceptively similar to any name used by any other driver improvement clinic, Georgia company, or Georgia corporation registered with the Secretary of State. This subparagraph shall not prohibit the franchising or licensing of any part or all of the name of a driver improvement clinic by the owner or the rights thereof to another licensed driver improvement clinic.

(B) This paragraph shall not prohibit the franchising or licensing of any part or all of the name of a clinic by the owner of the rights therein to another licensed driver improvement clinic.

(2) The commissioner may issue a special license to the instructor of any licensed driver training school authorizing such instructor to teach a defensive driving course at a driver improvement clinic approved pursuant to this Code section if such instructor is qualified to teach a teen-age driver education course which consists of a minimum of 30 hours of classroom and six hours of behind-the-wheel training and such instructor certifies to the commissioner that he or she has provided at least 300 hours of behind-the-wheel training in a teen-age driver education course."

"(c) The commissioner shall be authorized to issue a special license to the instructor of any driver improvement clinic who is qualified to teach the alcohol and drug course prescribed in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-142. A driver improvement clinic shall offer such alcohol and drug course only through a qualified instructor and shall not charge a fee for such course of more than $25.00. The commissioner shall be authorized to issue a special license to a licensed instructor of any driver training school to teach the alcohol and drug course prescribed in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-142 who is qualified to teach a teen-age driver education training course, which course consists of a minimum of 30 hours of classroom and six hours of behind-the-wheel training. The alcohol and drug program
may be included in the 30 hours of classroom training as part of a curriculum approved by the department. Any fee authorized by law for such a drug and alcohol course may be included in the tuition charge for a teen-age driver education training course. Any text or workbook provided or required by the Department of Driver Services department for such alcohol and drug course shall be provided by the department at the same fee as currently charged by the department to any public or private school, contractor, or appropriate representative currently teaching the program."

SECTION 8.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-147, relating to requirements for issuance of commercial driver's license or instruction permit, administration of skills test by third party, waiver or exemption, and disqualification and notice, by revising paragraph (2) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(2) The department may authorize a person third party, including an agency of this or another state, an employer, a private driver training facility, or other private institution, driver training school, or a public or private high school or a department, agency, or instrumentality of a local government, to administer the skills test specified by this Code section, provided that:

(A) The test is the same which would otherwise be administered by the state;
(B) The third party has entered into an agreement with the state which complies with the requirements set forth in 49 C.F.R. Part 383.75;
(C) The third party complies with all other requirements set by the department by regulations; and
(D) The third party possesses and maintains a surety bond in an amount to be set by the department through regulations. Such amount shall be sufficient to pay for retesting of drivers if required due to examiners engaging in fraudulent activities related to the skills test."
SECTION 9.

Chapter 13 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to driver training schools, is amended in Code Section 43-13-2, relating to definitions, by revising paragraph (3) as follows:

"(3) 'Driver training course' means a course including but not limited to classroom instruction; behind-the-wheel instruction; instruction by means of simulation training; and defensive driving, distance learning, or virtual driver training courses approved by the Department of Driver Services for the purpose of assisting persons to meet the requirements for licensed driving of Class C or Class M motor vehicles in this state and which may be offered through in-person instruction, online courses, or remote participation platforms."

SECTION 10.

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"43-13-6.2.

(a) The commissioner of driver services shall be authorized to issue a special license to the instructor of any driver training school authorizing such instructor to teach a defensive driving course at a driver improvement clinic approved pursuant to Code Section 40-5-83 if such instructor is qualified to teach a driver education training course in accordance with Chapter 5 of Title 40 which consists of a minimum of 30 hours of classroom and six hours of behind-the-wheel training and such instructor certifies to the commissioner that he or she has provided at least 300 hours of behind-the-wheel training in a driver education training course in accordance with Chapter 5 of Title 40.

(b) The commissioner of driver services shall be authorized to issue a special license to the instructor of any driver training school authorizing such instructor to serve as a driver's license examiner and conduct tests required for issuance of a driver's license pursuant to subsection (d) of Code Section 40-5-27 if such instructor has held his or her license with
a driver training school for at least six months and certifies to the commissioner that he or
she has provided at least 500 hours of behind-the-wheel training."

SECTION 11.
Said chapter is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"43-13-7.1. Whenever there is a change in ownership of a driver training school, DUI Alcohol or Drug
Use Risk Reduction Program, or driver improvement program, the department shall be
notified no later than 30 days after such change in ownership. After any change in
ownership to any person otherwise qualified to operate a driver training school, DUI
Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program, or driver improvement program pursuant
to this chapter or Title 40, the department shall consider the duration of operation of any
previous owner in any required calculation for duration of operation by a successor owner."

SECTION 12.
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.