An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2260

By: Hoskin of the House

and

Bass and Pittman of the Senate

An Act relating to motor vehicles; amending 47 O.S. 2011, Sections 6-101, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 97, O.S.L. 2015 and 6-105, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 102, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Sections 6-101 and 6-105), which relate to driver licenses; and requiring certain motorcycle safety course for certain licenses.

SUBJECT: Driver licenses

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 6-101, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 97, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-101), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-101. A. No person, except those hereinafter expressly exempted in Sections 6-102 and 6-102.1 of this title, shall operate any motor vehicle upon a highway in this state unless the person has a valid Oklahoma driver license for the class of vehicle being operated under the provisions of this title. No person shall be permitted to possess more than one valid license at any time, except as provided in paragraph 4 of subsection F of this section.

B. 1. No person shall operate a Class A commercial motor vehicle unless the person is eighteen (18) years of age or older and holds a valid Class A commercial license, except as provided in paragraph 5 of this subsection and subsection F of this section.

Any person holding a valid Class A commercial license shall be permitted to operate motor vehicles in Classes A, B, C and D, except as provided for in paragraph 4 of this subsection.

2. No person shall operate a Class B commercial motor vehicle unless the person is eighteen (18) years of age or older and holds a valid Class B commercial license, except as provided in paragraph 5 of subsection F of this section. Any person holding a valid Class B commercial license shall be permitted to operate motor vehicles in Classes B, C and D, except as provided for in paragraph 4 of this subsection.

3. No person shall operate a Class C commercial motor vehicle unless the person is eighteen (18) years of age or older and holds a valid Class C commercial license, except as provided in subsection F of this section. Any person holding a valid Class C commercial license shall be permitted to operate motor vehicles in Classes C and D, except as provided for in paragraph 4 of this subsection.

4. No person under twenty-one (21) years of age shall be licensed to operate any motor vehicle which is required to be placarded for hazardous materials pursuant to 49 C.F.R., Part 172, subpart F, except as provided in subsection F of this section; provided, a person eighteen (18) years of age or older may be licensed to operate a farm vehicle which is required to be placarded for hazardous materials pursuant to 49 C.F.R., Part 172, subpart F, except as provided in subsection F of this section.

5. A person at least seventeen (17) years of age who successfully completes all examinations required by law may be issued by the Department:

a. a restricted Class A commercial license which shall grant to the licensee the privilege to operate a Class A or Class B commercial motor vehicle for harvest purposes or a Class D motor vehicle, or

b. a restricted Class B commercial license which shall grant to the licensee the privilege to operate a Class B commercial motor vehicle for harvest purposes or a Class D motor vehicle.

6. No person shall operate a Class D motor vehicle unless the person is sixteen (16) years of age or older and holds a valid Class D license, except as provided for in Section 6-102 or 6-105 of this

title. Any person holding a valid Class D license shall be permitted to operate motor vehicles in Class D only.

C. Any person issued a driver license pursuant to this section may exercise the privilege thereby granted upon all streets and highways in this state.

D. No person shall operate a motorcycle or motor-driven cycle without having a valid Class A, B, C or D license with a motorcycle endorsement. Except as otherwise provided by law, any new applicant for an original driver license shall be required to successfully complete a written examination, vision examination, and driving examination for a motorcycle as prescribed by the Department of Public Safety, and a certified state-approved motorcycle basic rider course approved by the Department if the applicant is seventeen (17) years of age or younger to be eligible for a motorcycle endorsement thereon. The written examination and driving examination for a motorcycle ~~may~~ shall be waived by the Department of Public Safety upon verification that the person has successfully completed a certified Motorcycle Safety Foundation rider course approved by the Department.

E. Except as otherwise provided by law, any person who lawfully possesses a valid Oklahoma driver license which is eligible for renewal shall be required to successfully complete a written examination, vision examination, and driving examination for a motorcycle as prescribed by the Department, and a certified state-approved motorcycle basic rider course approved by the Department if the person is seventeen (17) years of age or younger to be eligible for a motorcycle endorsement. The written examination and driving examination for a motorcycle ~~may~~ shall be waived by the Department of Public Safety upon verification that the person has successfully completed a certified Motorcycle Safety Foundation rider course approved by the Department.

F. 1. Any person eighteen (18) years of age or older may apply for a restricted Class A, B or C commercial learner permit. The Department, after the applicant has passed all parts of the examination for a Class D license and has successfully passed all parts of the examination for a Class A, B or C commercial license other than the driving examination, may issue to the applicant a commercial learner permit which shall entitle the person having immediate lawful possession of the commercial learner permit and a valid Oklahoma driver license or provisional driver license pursuant to Section 6-212 of this title to operate a Class A, B or C

commercial motor vehicle upon the public highways solely for the purpose of behind-the-wheel training in accordance with rules promulgated by the Department.

2. This commercial learner permit shall be issued for a period as provided in Section 6-115 of this title of one hundred eighty (180) days, which may be renewed one time for an additional one hundred eighty (180) days; provided, such commercial learner permit may be suspended, revoked, canceled, denied or disqualified at the discretion of the Department for violation of the restrictions, for failing to give the required or correct information on the application, or for violation of any traffic laws of this state pertaining to the operation of a motor vehicle. Except as otherwise provided, the lawful possessor of a commercial learner permit who has been issued a commercial learner permit for a minimum of fourteen (14) days may have the restriction requiring an accompanying driver removed by satisfactorily completing a driver's examination; provided, the removal of a restriction shall not authorize the operation of a Class A, B or C commercial motor vehicle if such operation is otherwise prohibited by law.

3. No person shall apply for and the Department shall not issue an original Class A, B or C driver license until the person has been issued a commercial learner permit and held the permit for at least fourteen (14) days. Any person who currently holds a Class B or C license and who wishes to apply for another class of commercial driver license shall be required to apply for a commercial learner permit and to hold the permit for at least fourteen (14) days before applying for the Class A or B license, as applicable. Any person who currently holds a Class A, B or C license and who wishes to add an endorsement or remove a restriction for which a skills examination is required shall be required to apply for a commercial learner permit and to hold the permit for at least fourteen (14) days before applying for the endorsement.

4. A commercial learner permit shall be issued by the Department as a separate and unique document which shall be valid only in conjunction with a valid Oklahoma driver license or provisional driver license pursuant to Section 6-212 of this title, both of which shall be in the possession of the person to whom they have been issued whenever that person is operating a commercial motor vehicle as provided in this subsection.

5. After one renewal of a commercial learner permit, as provided in paragraph 2 of this subsection, a commercial permit

shall not be renewed again. Any person who has held a commercial learner permit for the initial issuance period and one renewal period shall not be eligible for and the Department shall not issue another renewal of the permit; provided, the person may reapply for a new commercial learner permit, as provided for in this subsection.

6. Enrollment in or successful completion of a commercial driver training school shall not be required for any commercial learner permit applicant who requests a skills examination for a Class A, B or C license, nor shall any student enrolled in a commercial driver training school be prohibited from taking a skills examination for a Class A, B or C license upon request with a Department of Public Safety examiner regardless of whether the person has completed the course, is still enrolled in the course to be completed or has voluntarily withdrawn from the course.

G. 1. The fee charged for an approved application for an original Oklahoma driver license or an approved application for the addition of an endorsement to a current valid Oklahoma driver license shall be assessed in accordance with the following schedule:

Class A Commercial Learner Permit	$25.00
Class A Commercial License	$25.00
Class B Commercial Learner Permit	$15.00
Class B Commercial License	$15.00
Class C Commercial Learner Permit	$15.00
Class C Commercial License	$15.00
Class D License	$ 4.00
Motorcycle Endorsement	$ 4.00

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1104 of this title, all monies collected from the fees charged for Class A, B and C commercial licenses pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be deposited in the General Revenue Fund of this state.

H. The fee charged for any failed examination shall be Four Dollars ($4.00) for any license classification. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1104 of this title, all monies collected from

such examination fees pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be deposited in the General Revenue Fund of this state.

I. In addition to any fee charged pursuant to the provisions of subsection G of this section, the fee charged for the issuance or renewal of an Oklahoma license shall be in accordance with the following schedule; provided, that any applicant who has a CDL Learner Permit shall be charged only the replacement fee for the issuance of the license:

Class A Commercial Learner Permit	$51.50
Class A Commercial License	$51.50
Class B Commercial Learner Permit	$51.50
Class B Commercial License	$51.50
Class C Commercial License	$41.50
Class D License	$33.50

A commercial learner permit may be renewed one time for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days. The cost for the renewed permit shall be the same as for the original permit.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1104 of this title, of each fee charged pursuant to the provisions of this subsection:

1. Five Dollars and fifty cents ($5.50) shall be deposited to the Trauma Care Assistance Revolving Fund created in Section 1-2530.9 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

2. Six Dollars and seventy-five cents ($6.75) shall be deposited to the Department of Public Safety Computer Imaging System Revolving Fund to be used solely for the purpose of administration and maintenance of the computerized imaging system of the Department; and

3. Ten Dollars ($10.00) shall be deposited to the Department of Public Safety Revolving Fund for all original or renewal issuances of licenses.

J. All original and renewal driver licenses shall expire as provided in Section 6-115 of this title.

K. Any person sixty-two (62) years of age or older during the calendar year of issuance of a Class D license or motorcycle endorsement shall be charged the following prorated fee:

Age 62	$21.25
Age 63	$17.50
Age 64	$13.75
Age 65	-0-

L. No person who has been honorably discharged from active service in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States or Oklahoma National Guard and who has been certified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, its successor, or the Armed Forces of the United States to be a disabled veteran in receipt of compensation at the one-hundred-percent rate for a permanent disability sustained through military action or accident resulting from disease contracted while in such active service shall be charged a fee for the issuance or renewal of an Oklahoma driver license.

M. The Department of Public Safety and the Oklahoma Tax Commission are authorized to promulgate rules for the issuance and renewal of driver licenses authorized pursuant to the provisions of Sections 6-101 through 6-309 of this title. Applications, upon forms approved by the Department of Public Safety, for such licenses shall be handled by the motor license agents; provided, the Department of Public Safety is authorized to assume these duties in any county of this state. Each motor license agent accepting applications for driver licenses shall receive Four Dollars ($4.00) to be deducted from the total collected for each license or renewal application accepted. The four-dollar fee received by the motor license agent shall be used for operating expenses.

N. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1104 of this title and subsection M of this section and except as provided in subsections G and I of this section, the first Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000.00) of all monies collected pursuant to this section shall be paid by the Oklahoma Tax Commission to the State Treasurer to be deposited in the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury.

The next Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000.00) of monies collected pursuant to this section shall be paid by the Tax Commission to the State Treasurer to be deposited each fiscal year under the provisions of this section to the credit of the Department of Public Safety Restricted Revolving Fund for the purpose of the Statewide Law Enforcement Communications System. All other monies collected in excess of Five Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars ($560,000.00) each fiscal year shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104 of this title, except as otherwise provided in this section.

O. The Department of Public Safety shall implement a procedure whereby images displayed on licenses and identification cards issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 6-101 through 6-309 of this title are maintained by the Department to create photographs or computerized images which may be used only:

1. By a law enforcement agency for purposes of criminal investigations, missing person investigations, or any law enforcement purpose which is deemed necessary by the Commissioner of Public Safety;

2. By the driver licensing agency of another state for its official purpose; and

3. As provided in Section 2-110 of this title.

The computer system and related equipment acquired for this purpose must conform to industry standards for interoperability and open architecture. The Department of Public Safety may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this subsection.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 6-105, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 102, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-105), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-105. A. Unless a legal custodial parent or legal guardian has filed an objection to licensure pursuant to Section 6-103.1 of this title, any person under eighteen (18) years of age who is in compliance with or not subject to Section 6-107.3 of this title may be permitted to operate:

1. A Class D motor vehicle under the graduated driver license provisions prescribed in subsections B through E of this section;

2. A motorcycle under the provisions prescribed in subsection H of this section; or

3. A farm vehicle under the provisions prescribed in subsection I of this section.

B. Any person who is at least fifteen (15) years of age may drive during a session in which the driver is being instructed in a driver education course, as set out in subparagraphs a, b, c and d of paragraph 1 of subsection C of this section, by a certified driver education instructor who is seated in the right front seat of the motor vehicle.

C. Any person:

1. Who is at least fifteen and one-half (15 1/2) years of age and is currently receiving instruction in or has successfully completed driver education. For purposes of this section, the term "driver education" shall mean:

a. a prescribed secondary school driver education course, as provided for in Sections 19-113 through 19-121 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,

b. a driver education course, certified by the Department of Public Safety, from a parochial, private, or other nonpublic secondary school,

c. a commercial driver training course, as defined by Sections 801 through 808 of this title,

d. a parent-taught driver education course, certified by the Department of Public Safety. The Department shall promulgate rules for any parent-taught driver education course, or

e. a driver education course certified by a state other than Oklahoma; or

2. Who is at least sixteen (16) years of age,

may, upon successfully passing all parts of the driver license examination administered by the Department except the driving examination, be issued a learner permit which will grant the permittee the privilege to operate a Class D motor vehicle upon the

public highways only between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. and while accompanied by a licensed driver who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age and who is actually occupying a seat beside the permittee; provided, the written examination for a learner permit may be waived by the Department of Public Safety upon verification that the person has successfully completed driver education.

D. 1. Any person:

a. who has applied for, been issued, and has possessed a learner permit for a minimum of six (6) months, and

b. whose custodial legal parent or legal guardian certifies to the Department by sworn affidavit that the person has received a minimum of fifty (50) hours of actual behind-the-wheel training, of which at least ten (10) hours of such training was at night, from a licensed driver who was at least twenty-one (21) years of age and who was properly licensed to operate a Class D motor vehicle for a minimum of two (2) years,

may be issued an intermediate Class D license upon successfully passing all parts of the driver license examinations administered by the Department; provided, the written examination, if it has not previously been administered or waived, may be waived by the Department upon verification that the person has successfully completed driver education or the driving examination may be waived by the Department upon successful passage of the examination administered by a certified designated examiner, as provided for in Section 6-110 of this title. However, notwithstanding the date of issuance of the learner permit, if the person has been convicted of a traffic offense which is reported on the driving record of that person, the time period specified in subparagraph a of this paragraph shall be recalculated to begin from the date of conviction for the traffic offense, and must elapse before that person may be issued an intermediate Class D license. If the person has been convicted of more than one traffic offense which is reported on the driving record of that person, the time period specified in subparagraph a of this paragraph shall be recalculated to begin from the most recent date of conviction, and must elapse before that person may be issued an intermediate Class D license.

2. A person who has been issued an intermediate Class D license under the provisions of this subsection:

a. shall be granted the privilege to operate a Class D motor vehicle upon the public highways:

(1) only between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., except for driving to and from work, school, school activities, and church activities, or

(2) at any time, if a licensed driver who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age is actually occupying a seat beside the intermediate Class D licensee, or if the intermediate Class D licensee is a farm or ranch resident, and is operating a motor vehicle while engaged in farming or ranching operations outside the limits of a municipality, or driving to and from work, school, school activities, or church activities, and

b. shall not operate a motor vehicle with more than one passenger unless:

(1) all passengers live in the same household as the custodial legal parent or legal guardian, or

(2) a licensed driver at least twenty-one (21) years of age is actually occupying a seat beside the intermediate Class D licensee.

E. Any person who has been issued an intermediate Class D license for a minimum of:

1. One (1) year; or

2. Six (6) months, if the person has completed both the driver education and the parent-certified behind-the-wheel training provisions of subparagraph b of paragraph 1 of subsection D of this section~~.~~,

may be issued a Class D license. However, notwithstanding the date of issuance of the Class D license, if the person has been convicted of a traffic offense which is reported on the driving record of that person, the time periods specified in paragraph 1 or 2 of this subsection, as applicable, shall be recalculated to begin from the

date of conviction for the traffic offense, and must elapse before that person may be issued a Class D license. If the person has been convicted of more than one traffic offense which is reported on the driving record of that person, the time periods specified in paragraph 1 or 2 of this subsection, as applicable, shall be recalculated to begin from the most recent date of conviction, and must elapse before that person may be issued a Class D license.

F. Learner permits and intermediate Class D licenses shall be issued for the same period as all other driver licenses. The licenses may be suspended or canceled at the discretion of the Department for violation of restrictions, for failing to give the required or correct information on the application, for knowingly giving false or inaccurate information on the application or any subsequent documentation related to the granting of driving privileges, for using a hand-held electronic device while operating a motor vehicle for non-life-threatening emergency purposes or for violation of any traffic laws of this state pertaining to the operation of a motor vehicle.

G. The Department of Public Safety shall promulgate rules establishing procedures for removal of learner permit and intermediate Class D license restrictions from the permit or license upon the permittee or licensee qualifying for a less restricted or an unrestricted license.

H. Any person fourteen (14) years of age or older may apply for a restricted Class D license with a motorcycle-only restriction. After the person has successfully passed all parts of the motorcycle examination other than the driving examination, has successfully completed a certified state-approved motorcycle basic rider course approved by the Department, and has met all requirements provided for in the rules of the Department, the Department shall issue to the person a restricted Class D license with a motorcycle-only restriction which shall grant to the person, while having the license in the person's immediate possession, the privilege to operate a motorcycle or motor-driven cycle:

1. With a piston displacement not to exceed three hundred (300) cubic centimeters;

2. Between the hours of 4:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. only;

3. While wearing approved protective headgear; and

4. While accompanied by and receiving instruction from any person who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age and who is properly licensed pursuant to the laws of this state to operate a motorcycle or motor-driven cycle, and who has visual contact with the restricted licensee.

The restricted licensee may apply on or after thirty (30) days from date of issuance of the restricted Class D license with a motorcycle-only restriction to have the restriction of being accompanied by a licensed driver removed by successfully completing the driving portion of an examination.

The written examination and driving examination for a restricted Class D license with a motorcycle-only endorsement ~~may~~ shall be waived by the Department of Public Safety upon verification that the person has successfully completed a certified ~~Motorcycle Safety Foundation~~ state-approved motorcycle basic rider course approved by the Department.

I. The Department may in its discretion issue a special permit to any person who has attained the age of fourteen (14) years, authorizing such person to operate farm vehicles between the farm and the market to haul commodities grown on the farm; provided, that the special permit shall be temporary and shall expire not more than thirty (30) days after the issuance of the special permit. Special permits shall be issued only to farm residents and shall be issued only during the time of the harvest of the principal crops grown on such farm. Provided, however, the Department shall not issue a special permit pursuant to this subsection until the Department is fully satisfied after the examination of the application and other evidence furnished in support thereof, that the person is physically and mentally developed to such a degree that the operation of a motor vehicle by the person would not be inimical to public safety.

J. As used in this section:

1. "Hand-held electronic device" means a mobile telephone or electronic device with which a user engages in a telephone call, plays or stores media, including but not limited to music and video, or sends or reads a text message while requiring the use of at least one hand; and

2. "Using a hand-held electronic device" means engaging any function on an electronic device.

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Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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Governor of the State of Oklahoma

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