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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 3151

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 3151 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section
5 27-24.2 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/27-24.2) (from Ch. 122, par. 27-24.2)

7 Sec. 27-24.2. Safety education; driver education course.
8 Instruction shall be given in safety education in each of
9 grades one through 8, equivalent to one class period each
10 week, and any school district which maintains grades 9 through
11 12 shall offer a driver education course in any such school
12 which it operates. Its curriculum shall include content
13 dealing with Chapters 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16 of the Illinois
14 Vehicle Code, the rules adopted pursuant to those Chapters
15 insofar as they pertain to the operation of motor vehicles,
16 and the portions of the Litter Control Act relating to the

1 operation of motor vehicles. The course of instruction given
2 in grades 10 through 12 shall include an emphasis on the
3 development of knowledge, attitudes, habits, and skills
4 necessary for the safe operation of motor vehicles, including
5 motorcycles insofar as they can be taught in the classroom,
6 and instruction on distracted driving as a major traffic
7 safety issue. In addition, the course shall include
8 instruction on special hazards existing at and required safety
9 and driving precautions that must be observed at emergency
10 situations, highway construction and maintenance zones,
11 including worker safety in highway construction and
12 maintenance zones, and railroad crossings and the approaches
13 thereto. Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, the course
14 shall also include instruction concerning law enforcement
15 procedures for traffic stops, including a demonstration of the
16 proper actions to be taken during a traffic stop and
17 appropriate interactions with law enforcement. The course of
18 instruction required of each eligible student at the high
19 school level shall consist of a minimum of 30 clock hours of
20 classroom instruction and a minimum of 6 clock hours of
21 individual behind-the-wheel instruction in a dual control car
22 on public roadways taught by a driver education instructor
23 endorsed by the State Board of Education. A school district's
24 decision to allow a student to take a portion of the driver
25 education course through a distance learning program must be
26 determined on a case-by-case basis and must be approved by the

1 school's administration, including the student's driver
2 education teacher, and the student's parent or guardian. Under
3 no circumstances may the student take the entire driver
4 education course through a distance learning program. Both the
5 classroom instruction part and the practice driving part of a
6 driver education course shall be open to a resident or
7 non-resident student attending a non-public school in the
8 district wherein the course is offered. Each student attending
9 any public or non-public high school in the district must
10 receive a passing grade in at least 8 courses during the
11 previous 2 semesters prior to enrolling in a driver education
12 course, or the student shall not be permitted to enroll in the
13 course; provided that the local superintendent of schools
14 (with respect to a student attending a public high school in
15 the district) or chief school administrator (with respect to a
16 student attending a non-public high school in the district)
17 may waive the requirement if the superintendent or chief
18 school administrator, as the case may be, deems it to be in the
19 best interest of the student. A student may be allowed to
20 commence the classroom instruction part of such driver
21 education course prior to reaching age 15 if such student then
22 will be eligible to complete the entire course within 12
23 months after being allowed to commence such classroom
24 instruction.

25 A school district may offer a driver education course in a
26 school by contracting with a commercial driver training school

1 to provide both the classroom instruction part and the
2 practice driving part or either one without having to request
3 a modification or waiver of administrative rules of the State
4 Board of Education if the school district approves the action
5 during a public hearing on whether to enter into a contract
6 with a commercial driver training school. The public hearing
7 shall be held at a regular or special school board meeting
8 prior to entering into such a contract. If a school district
9 chooses to approve a contract with a commercial driver
10 training school, then the district must provide evidence to
11 the State Board of Education that the commercial driver
12 training school with which it will contract holds a license
13 issued by the Secretary of State under Article IV of Chapter 6
14 of the Illinois Vehicle Code and that each instructor employed
15 by the commercial driver training school to provide
16 instruction to students served by the school district holds a
17 valid teaching license issued under the requirements of this
18 Code and rules of the State Board of Education. Such evidence
19 must include, but need not be limited to, a list of each
20 instructor assigned to teach students served by the school
21 district, which list shall include the instructor's name,
22 personal identification number as required by the State Board
23 of Education, birth date, and driver's license number. Once
24 the contract is entered into, the school district shall notify
25 the State Board of Education of any changes in the personnel
26 providing instruction either (i) within 15 calendar days after

1 an instructor leaves the program or (ii) before a new
2 instructor is hired. Such notification shall include the
3 instructor's name, personal identification number as required
4 by the State Board of Education, birth date, and driver's
5 license number. If the school district maintains an Internet
6 website, then the district shall post a copy of the final
7 contract between the district and the commercial driver
8 training school on the district's Internet website. If no
9 Internet website exists, then the school district shall make
10 available the contract upon request. A record of all materials
11 in relation to the contract must be maintained by the school
12 district and made available to parents and guardians upon
13 request. The instructor's date of birth and driver's license
14 number and any other personally identifying information as
15 deemed by the federal Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1994
16 must be redacted from any public materials.

17 Such a course may be commenced immediately after the
18 completion of a prior course. Teachers of such courses shall
19 meet the licensure requirements of this Code and regulations
20 of the State Board as to qualifications. Except for a contract
21 with a Certified Driver Rehabilitation Specialist, a school
22 district that contracts with a third party to teach a driver
23 education course under this Section must ensure the teacher
24 meets the educator licensure and endorsement requirements
25 under Article 21B and must follow the same evaluation and
26 observation requirements that apply to non-tenured teachers

1 under Article 24A. The teacher evaluation must be conducted by
2 a school administrator employed by the school district and
3 must be submitted annually to the district superintendent and
4 all school board members for oversight purposes.

5 Subject to rules of the State Board of Education, the
6 school district may charge a reasonable fee, not to exceed
7 \$50, to students who participate in the course, unless a
8 student is unable to pay for such a course, in which event the
9 fee for such a student must be waived. However, the district
10 may increase this fee to an amount not to exceed \$250 by school
11 board resolution following a public hearing on the increase,
12 which increased fee must be waived for students who
13 participate in the course and are unable to pay for the course.
14 The total amount from driver education fees and reimbursement
15 from the State for driver education must not exceed the total
16 cost of the driver education program in any year and must be
17 deposited into the school district's driver education fund as
18 a separate line item budget entry. All moneys deposited into
19 the school district's driver education fund must be used
20 solely for the funding of a high school driver education
21 program approved by the State Board of Education that uses
22 driver education instructors endorsed by the State Board of
23 Education.
24 (Source: P.A. 101-183, eff. 8-2-19; 101-450, eff. 8-23-19;
25 102-558, eff. 8-20-21.)

1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect August
2 1, 2024."