

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SHB 1736

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As of March 22, 1995

**Title:** An act relating to commercial driving instructors.

**Brief Description:** Revising regulation of commercial driving instructors.

**Sponsors:** House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Horn, Cairnes, Hickel, Mitchell, L. Thomas and Thompson).

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Transportation: 3/29/95.

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

**Staff:** Brian McMorrow (786-7304)

**Background:** Commercial driving schools offering instruction for teenagers must hire teachers certified by the Superintendent of Public Instruction to teach the classroom portion of the course.

**Summary of Bill:** A person who qualifies under administrative rule to teach the classroom and laboratory phases must pay a \$10 exam fee.

Instead of a teaching certificate, a person who wants to teach driver's education to teenagers in a classroom must hold a valid instructor's license, and must complete 1,000 hours of behind-the-wheel teaching and a course of 80 hours in instructor's training approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI). He or she must also pass a qualifying exam administered by SPI.

Instructors who are not currently required to undergo a background check, and who teach students under the age of 18, are checked for prior criminal convictions or pending charges.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.