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By Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Zarelli, Brown, Haugen, Swecker and Johnson)

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1 AN ACT Relating to drivers' licenses; and amending RCW 46.20.035
2 and 46.20.100.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.20.035 and 1999 c 6 s 8 are each amended to read as
5 follows:

6 The department may not issue an identicard or a Washington state
7 driver's license that is valid for identification purposes unless the
8 applicant meets the identification requirements of subsection (1), (2),
9 or (3) of this section.

10 (1) A driver's license or identicard applicant must provide the
11 department with at least one of the following pieces of valid
12 identifying documentation that contains the signature and a photograph
13 of the applicant:

14 (a) A valid or recently expired driver's license or instruction
15 permit that includes the date of birth of the applicant;

16 (b) A Washington state identicard or an identification card issued
17 by another state;

1 (c) An identification card issued by the United States, a state, or
2 an agency of either the United States or a state, of a kind commonly
3 used to identify the members or employees of the government agency;

4 (d) A military identification card;

5 (e) A United States passport; or

6 (f) An Immigration and Naturalization Service form.

7 (2) An applicant who is a minor may establish identity by providing
8 an affidavit of the applicant's parent or guardian. The parent or
9 guardian must accompany the minor and display or provide((÷

10 ~~(a) At least)) one piece of documentation in subsection (1) of this~~
11 ~~section establishing the identity of the parent or guardian((÷and~~

12 ~~(b) Additional documentation establishing the relationship between~~
13 ~~the parent or guardian and the applicant)).~~

14 (3) A person unable to provide identifying documentation as
15 specified in subsection (1) or (2) of this section may request that the
16 department review other available documentation in order to ascertain
17 identity. The department may waive the requirement if it finds that
18 other documentation clearly establishes the identity of the applicant.

19 (4) The form of an applicant's name, as established under this
20 section, must be the person's name of record for the purposes of this
21 chapter.

22 (5) If the applicant is unable to prove his or her identity under
23 this section, the department shall plainly label the license "not valid
24 for identification purposes."

25 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.20.100 and 1999 c 274 s 14 are each amended to read
26 as follows:

27 (1) **Application.** The application of a person under the age of
28 eighteen years for a driver's license or a motorcycle endorsement must
29 be signed by a parent or guardian with custody of the minor. The
30 department of licensing must furnish an affidavit that allows an adult
31 to affirm in writing that he or she is the minor's parent or guardian
32 with custody. The parent must also display one piece of identifying
33 documentation as specified in RCW 46.20.035. No other documentation or
34 proof of the adult's status as the minor's parent or guardian is
35 required. If the person under the age of eighteen has no father,
36 mother, or guardian, then the application must be signed by the minor's
37 employer.

1 (2) **Traffic safety education requirement.** For a person under the
2 age of eighteen years to obtain a driver's license he or she must meet
3 the traffic safety education requirements of this subsection.

4 (a) To meet the traffic safety education requirement for a driver's
5 license the applicant must satisfactorily complete a traffic safety
6 education course as defined in RCW 28A.220.020. The course must meet
7 the standards established by the office of the state superintendent of
8 public instruction. The traffic safety education course may be
9 provided by:

10 (i) A recognized secondary school; or

11 (ii) A commercial driving enterprise that is annually approved by
12 the office of the superintendent of public instruction.

13 (b) To meet the traffic safety education requirement for a
14 motorcycle endorsement, the applicant must successfully complete a
15 motorcycle safety education course that meets the standards established
16 by the department of licensing.

17 (c) The department may waive the traffic safety education
18 requirement for a driver's license if the applicant demonstrates to the
19 department's satisfaction that:

20 (i) He or she was unable to take or complete a traffic safety
21 education course;

22 (ii) A need exists for the applicant to operate a motor vehicle;
23 and

24 (iii) He or she has the ability to operate a motor vehicle in such
25 a manner as not to jeopardize the safety of persons or property.

26 The department may adopt rules to implement this subsection (2)(c) in
27 concert with the supervisor of the traffic safety education section of
28 the office of the superintendent of public instruction.

29 (d) The department may waive the traffic safety education
30 requirement if the applicant was licensed to drive a motor vehicle or
31 motorcycle outside this state and provides proof that he or she has had
32 education equivalent to that required under this subsection.

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