

SB 5141 - H COMM AMD

By Committee on Transportation

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 46.20.510 and 2002 c 352 s 17 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 (1) **Motorcycle instruction permit.** A person holding a valid  
6 driver's license who wishes to learn to ride a motorcycle may apply for  
7 a motorcycle instruction permit. The department may issue a motorcycle  
8 instruction permit after the applicant has successfully passed all  
9 parts of the motorcycle examination other than the driving test. The  
10 director shall collect a fee of fifteen dollars for the motorcycle  
11 instruction permit or renewal, and deposit the fee in the motorcycle  
12 safety education account of the highway safety fund.

13 (2) **Effect of motorcycle instruction permit.** A person holding a  
14 motorcycle instruction permit may drive a motorcycle upon the public  
15 highways if the person has immediate possession of the permit and a  
16 valid driver's license. An individual with a motorcyclist's  
17 instruction permit may not carry passengers and may not operate a  
18 motorcycle during the hours of darkness.

19 (3) **Term of motorcycle instruction permit.** A motorcycle  
20 instruction permit is valid for ninety days from the date of issue.

21 (a) The department may issue one additional ninety-day permit.

22 (b) The department may issue a third motorcycle instruction permit  
23 ~~((if it finds after an investigation that the permittee is diligently~~  
24 ~~seeking to improve driving proficiency))~~ upon presentation of  
25 documented evidence that the permittee is enrolled in a motorcycle  
26 skills education program as authorized in RCW 46.81A.020 with a class  
27 start date prior to the expiration of the third permit. The department  
28 may not issue more than three motorcycle instruction permits to an  
29 applicant within a five-year period."

1 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Removes the language that restricts the third permit to the final permit, and limits the Department of Licensing to issuing no more than three motorcycle instruction permits to an applicant within a five-year period.

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