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SENATE BILL DRS45264-SU-2

Short Title: Amend Level 2 License Restrictions. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Woodard (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO AMEND THE PASSENGER RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO LEVEL 2
3 LIMITED PROVISIONAL LICENSE HOLDERS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-11(e) reads as rewritten:

6 "(e) Level 2 Restrictions. – A limited provisional license authorizes the license holder to
7 drive a specified type or class of motor vehicle only under the following conditions:

- 8 (1) The license holder shall be in possession of the license.
9 (2) The license holder may drive without supervision in any of the following
10 circumstances:
11 a. From 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
12 b. When driving directly to or from work.
13 c. When driving directly to or from an activity of a volunteer fire
14 department, volunteer rescue squad, or volunteer emergency medical
15 service, if the driver is a member of the organization.
16 (3) The license holder may drive with supervision at any time. When the license
17 holder is driving with supervision, the supervising driver shall be seated
18 beside the license holder in the front seat of the vehicle when it is in motion.
19 The supervising driver need not be the only other occupant of the front seat,
20 but shall be the person seated next to the license holder.
21 (4) When the license holder is driving the vehicle and is not accompanied by the
22 supervising driver, there may be no more than one passenger under 21 years
23 of age in the vehicle. This limit does not apply to passengers who are members
24 of the license holder's immediate family or whose primary residence is the
25 same household as the license holder. However, if a family member or
26 member of the same household as the license holder who is younger than 21
27 years of age is a passenger in the vehicle, no other passengers under 21 years
28 of age, who are not members of the license holder's immediate family or
29 members of the license holder's household, may be in the ~~vehicle~~vehicle,
30 except that one other passenger under 21 years of age who is not a member of
31 the license holder's immediate family or member of the license holder's
32 household may be in the vehicle when that passenger is a student being driven
33 directly to or from school.
34 (5) Every person occupying the vehicle being driven by the license holder shall
35 have a safety belt properly fastened about his or her body, or be restrained by



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- 1 a child passenger restraint system as provided in G.S. 20-137.1(a), when the
2 vehicle is in motion.
- 3 (6) The license holder shall not use a mobile telephone or other additional
4 technology associated with a mobile telephone while operating the vehicle on
5 a public street or highway or public vehicular area."
- 6 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective August 1, 2023, and applies to offenses
7 committed on or after that date.