

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 499 Session of
2005

INTRODUCED BY GREENLEAF AND KITCHEN, MARCH 29, 2005

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, MARCH 29, 2005

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for probationary licenses.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Section 1554(b) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
6 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

7 § 1554. Probationary license.

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9 (b) Petition.--

10 (1) An applicant for a probationary license must file a
11 petition with the department by certified mail setting forth
12 in detail the need for operating a motor vehicle. The
13 petition shall be on a form prescribed by the department and
14 shall identify the specific motor vehicles the petitioner
15 seeks permission to operate. The petition shall include the
16 operator's name, address and operator number and proof of
17 financial responsibility. The department may require

1 additional information as well as verification of the
2 information contained in the petition. All fines, costs and
3 restoration fees must be paid at the time of the petition.

4 (2) Before being eligible to petition for a probationary
5 license, a person must have served and earned credit toward
6 serving the following terms of suspension or revocation for
7 offenses enumerated in sections 1532 (relating to revocation
8 or suspension of operating privilege), 1539 (relating to
9 suspension of operating privilege on accumulation of points)
10 and 1543 (relating to driving while operating privilege is
11 suspended or revoked):

12 (i) A person with one to seven offenses must have
13 earned credit for at least a [three-year] one and one-
14 half year term of suspension or revocation.

15 (ii) A person with 8 to 14 offenses must have earned
16 credit for at least a [four-year] two-year term of
17 suspension or revocation.

18 (iii) A person with 15 to 21 offenses must have
19 earned credit for at least a [five-year] two and one-half
20 year term of suspension or revocation.

21 (iv) A person with 22 or more offenses must have
22 earned credit for at least a [six-year] three-year term
23 of suspension or revocation.

24 (3) The applicant must prove to the satisfaction of the
25 department that the applicant has not driven a motor vehicle
26 during the minimum period of suspension or revocation.

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28 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.