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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**HOUSE BILL**  
**No. 1085** Session of  
1985

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INTRODUCED BY HERMAN, MOWERY, PISTELLA, CIVERA, DAWIDA, CAWLEY,  
NOYE, BELARDI, VROON, MERRY, GRUPPO, JOHNSON, FOX, BLACK AND  
E. Z. TAYLOR, APRIL 30, 1985

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, APRIL 30, 1985

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, further providing for the issuance of a junior  
3 driver's license only upon completion of a standardized  
4 driver training course.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 1503(c) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania  
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

9 § 1503. Persons ineligible for licensing.

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11 (c) Junior driver's license.--The department may issue a  
12 junior driver's license only to a person 16 or 17 years of age  
13 who has successfully completed a standardized driver training  
14 course approved by the Department of Education under rules and  
15 regulations adopted by the department and subject to the  
16 provisions of this section. A junior driver's license shall  
17 automatically become a regular driver's license when the  
18 licensee attains 18 years of age.

1           (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), no licensed  
2       junior driver shall drive a vehicle upon a public highway  
3       between 12 midnight and 5 a.m. unless accompanied by a spouse  
4       18 years of age or older, a parent or a person in loco  
5       parentis.

6           (2) A licensed junior driver conforming to the  
7       requirements of section 1507 (relating to application for  
8       driver's license or learner's permit by minor) may drive a  
9       vehicle upon a public highway between 12 midnight and 5 a.m.  
10      between their home and their activity or employment or in the  
11      course of their activity or employment if they are a member  
12      of a volunteer fire company authorized by the fire chief to  
13      engage in fighting fires, engaged in public or charitable  
14      service or employed and they are carrying an affidavit signed  
15      by their fire chief, supervisor or employer indicating the  
16      probable schedule of their activities. Upon termination of  
17      the junior driver's activity or employment, the junior  
18      licensee shall surrender the affidavit to the fire chief,  
19      supervisor or employer. If the junior licensee shall fail to  
20      surrender the affidavit, the employer, fire chief or  
21      supervisor shall immediately notify the Pennsylvania State  
22      Police.

23          (3) In addition to the other provisions of this title  
24      relating to the suspension or revocation of operating  
25      privileges, in the event that a licensed junior driver is  
26      involved in an accident for which they are partially or fully  
27      responsible in the opinion of the department or is convicted  
28      of any violation of this title, the department may suspend  
29      the operating privileges of such person until the person  
30      attains 18 years of age or for a period of time not exceeding

1       90 days.

2           (4) Any junior licensee or other person violating any  
3       provision of this subsection is guilty of a summary offense.

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