

ESTABLISHMENT OF DRIVER IMPROVEMENT SCHOOLS - PHILADELPHIA
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AN ACT

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Providing for the establishment of driver improvement schools, and imposing powers and duties on the county or city council in cities of the first class, the superintendent of schools in counties of the first class and the county superintendent of schools in counties of the second to eighth class, the Commissioner of Traffic Safety and the Secretary of Revenue.

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

Section 1. Any county or city of the first class may establish a driver improvement school where motor vehicle operators, residing in the county or city of the first class, may attend or where operators, residing in other counties or cities, may attend when approval is given by the administrators of the school. The purpose of the school shall be for the giving of instruction in the operation of motor vehicles and for generally improving the driving habits of the operators attending.

Section 2. Such school shall be established by the county commissioners subject to the approval of a majority of the judges of the court of common pleas, except that in cities of the first class such school shall be established by city council.

Section 3. Such school shall be under the direction of the county superintendent of schools, except in cities of the first class where it shall be under the direction of the superintendent of schools. The superintendent shall have the power and the duty to hire instructors, but the cost of operation shall be on the county or city as the case may be.

Section 4. When such a school is established, the Secretary of Revenue, through the Commissioner of the Bureau of Traffic Safety, shall provide the superintendent with a list of operators residing within the county or city of the first class who are subject to suspension of their operating privileges. When the Secretary of Revenue, through the Commissioner of the Bureau of Traffic Safety, sends a notice of suspension to a person residing in a county or a city of the first class that has established such a school, he shall indicate that it is in operation, and if the person successfully completes the course and receives a certificate indicating the same from the superintendent, consideration for a waiver of the suspension will be given. No list shall be provided and no notices shall be sent when the operator's privileges are subject to revocation.

Section 5. Any order of the Secretary of Revenue suspending the driving privilege of any operator shall be superseded for a period not exceeding thirty days upon notice that the person has enrolled in a driver improvement school with the consent of the Secretary of Revenue prior to the beginning of the suspension

period, but the order shall be reinstated immediately upon notice to the Secretary of Revenue that the person has dropped out of the course or that he has not successfully completed the same. If a person has received a notice of suspension and he successfully completes the course and receives a certificate indicating the same, notice thereof shall be sent to the Secretary of Revenue who shall then take this fact into consideration in determining whether to waive the pending suspension or not. No person shall have the privilege of attending the school more than three times.

Section 6. The standards for establishing the school, the length of the course, the content of the curriculum and other details shall be established by the Secretary of Revenue, the county superintendent of schools, or the superintendent of schools in cities of the first class, and the county commissioners or city council. These persons may designate other persons who are to be consulted in the establishment and operation of the school.