

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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2011

INTRODUCED BY RAPP, METCALFE, PERRY, KAUFFMAN, ELLIS, EVERETT,
GILLEN, GINGRICH, HARRIS, HESS, MARSHALL, MARSICO, MILNE,
ROAE, ROCK, SCHRODER, SWANGER AND TALLMAN, OCTOBER 31, 2011

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, OCTOBER 31, 2011

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for examination of applicant for
3 driver's license.

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

6 Section 1. Section 1508(a) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 1508. Examination of applicant for driver's license.

9 (a) General rule.--Every applicant for a driver's license
10 shall be examined for the type or class of vehicles that the
11 applicant desires to drive. The examination shall include a
12 physical examination, a screening test of the applicant's
13 eyesight and a test of the applicant's ability to read and
14 understand official traffic-control devices, knowledge of safe
15 driving practices and the traffic laws of this Commonwealth, and
16 shall include an actual demonstration of ability to exercise
17 ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motor
18 vehicle of the type or class of vehicles for which the applicant

1 desires a license to drive. All written and oral examinations
2 required pursuant to this section shall be administered only in
3 the English language. If the department finds it necessary to
4 further determine an applicant's fitness to operate a motor
5 vehicle safely upon the highways the department may require one
6 or more of the following types of examinations:

7 (1) A vision examination by an optometrist or
8 ophthalmologist.

9 (2) A physical examination pursuant to section 1508.1
10 (relating to physical examinations).

11 (3) A mental examination.

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