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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3775

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 3775 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section
5 27-24.2 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/27-24.2) (from Ch. 122, par. 27-24.2)

7 Sec. 27-24.2. Safety education; driver education course.
8 Instruction shall be given in safety education in each of
9 grades one through 8, equivalent to one class period each week,
10 and any school district which maintains grades 9 through 12
11 shall offer a driver education course in any such school which
12 it operates. Its curriculum shall include content dealing with
13 Chapters 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16 of the Illinois Vehicle Code,
14 the rules adopted pursuant to those Chapters insofar as they
15 pertain to the operation of motor vehicles, and the portions of
16 the Litter Control Act relating to the operation of motor

1 vehicles. The course of instruction given in grades 10 through
2 12 shall include an emphasis on the development of knowledge,
3 attitudes, habits, and skills necessary for the safe operation
4 of motor vehicles, including motorcycles insofar as they can be
5 taught in the classroom, ~~and~~ instruction on distracted driving
6 as a major traffic safety issue, and traffic stop police
7 procedures, including demonstration of proper action during
8 traffic stops. In addition, the course shall include
9 instruction on special hazards existing at and required safety
10 and driving precautions that must be observed at emergency
11 situations, highway construction and maintenance zones, and
12 railroad crossings and the approaches thereto. The course of
13 instruction required of each eligible student at the high
14 school level shall consist of a minimum of 30 clock hours of
15 classroom instruction and a minimum of 6 clock hours of
16 individual behind-the-wheel instruction in a dual control car
17 on public roadways taught by a driver education instructor
18 endorsed by the State Board of Education. Both the classroom
19 instruction part and the practice driving part of such driver
20 education course shall be open to a resident or non-resident
21 student attending a non-public school in the district wherein
22 the course is offered. Each student attending any public or
23 non-public high school in the district must receive a passing
24 grade in at least 8 courses during the previous 2 semesters
25 prior to enrolling in a driver education course, or the student
26 shall not be permitted to enroll in the course; provided that

1 the local superintendent of schools (with respect to a student
2 attending a public high school in the district) or chief school
3 administrator (with respect to a student attending a non-public
4 high school in the district) may waive the requirement if the
5 superintendent or chief school administrator, as the case may
6 be, deems it to be in the best interest of the student. A
7 student may be allowed to commence the classroom instruction
8 part of such driver education course prior to reaching age 15
9 if such student then will be eligible to complete the entire
10 course within 12 months after being allowed to commence such
11 classroom instruction.

12 Such a course may be commenced immediately after the
13 completion of a prior course. Teachers of such courses shall
14 meet the certification requirements of this Act and regulations
15 of the State Board as to qualifications.

16 Subject to rules of the State Board of Education, the
17 school district may charge a reasonable fee, not to exceed \$50,
18 to students who participate in the course, unless a student is
19 unable to pay for such a course, in which event the fee for
20 such a student must be waived. However, the district may
21 increase this fee to an amount not to exceed \$250 by school
22 board resolution following a public hearing on the increase,
23 which increased fee must be waived for students who participate
24 in the course and are unable to pay for the course. The total
25 amount from driver education fees and reimbursement from the
26 State for driver education must not exceed the total cost of

1 the driver education program in any year and must be deposited
2 into the school district's driver education fund as a separate
3 line item budget entry. All moneys deposited into the school
4 district's driver education fund must be used solely for the
5 funding of a high school driver education program approved by
6 the State Board of Education that uses driver education
7 instructors endorsed by the State Board of Education.

8 (Source: P.A. 96-734, eff. 8-25-09; 97-145, eff. 7-14-11.)

9 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
10 becoming law."