Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

#### **SENATE BILL NO. 2157**

Introduced by

Senators Schaible, Wardner

Representatives Rohr, Schmidt

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-06-05 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to the age of students enrolled in a driver's training course.

### 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- 4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-06-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 6 39-06-05. Restricted instruction permit When instruction permit not required -

## **Driver's training course.**

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1. The director upon receiving proper application may issue a restricted instruction permit effective for a school year or more restricted period to an applicant who is at least fourteen years of age and enrolled in a commercial driver training course that includes practice driving and which is approved by the director of the highway patrol under chapter 39-25. The restricted instruction permit entitles the permittee when the permittee has the permit in the permittee's immediate possession to operate a motor vehicle with an approved instructor occupying a seat beside the permittee and on a designated highway or within a designated area.

#### 2. Anv

a. Subject to subdivision b, any student who is at least fourteen years of age and enrolled in behind-the-wheel driver's training through a high school program approved by the superintendent of public instruction may operate a motor vehicle, under the supervision of a driver training instructor certified by the superintendent of public instruction, without a permit or license to operate a motor vehicle, if the school district sponsoring the driver's training program has an insurance policy covering any damage that may be done by a student while operating the vehicle and proof of coverage is filed with the superintendent of

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1		public instruction by the school district's insurance carrier. The insurance
2		coverage must be in the amount required under section 39-16.1-02to establish
3		proof of financial responsibility.
4	<u>b.</u>	A student may not enroll in a driver's training course through a high school
5		program approved by the superintendent of public instruction unless the student
6		will be at least fourteen years of age by the completion date of the classroom
7		portion of the driver's training course. A student may not participate in the
8		behind-the-wheel driver's training portion of the driver's training course until the
9		student is at least fourteen years of age. A student must complete the driver's
10		training course's required amount of behind-the-wheel driver's training before
11		successfully completing the course.