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To amend sections 4507.05, 4507.071, 4507.21, and 4508.02 and to enact section 4508.041 of the Revised Code to make changes to driver education requirements.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That sections 4507.05, 4507.071, 4507.21, and 4508.02 be amended and section 4508.041 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

**Sec. 4507.05.** (A) The registrar of motor vehicles, or a deputy registrar, upon receiving an application for a temporary instruction permit and a temporary instruction permit identification card for a driver's license from any person who is at least fifteen years ~~six months~~ of age, may issue such a permit and identification card entitling the applicant to drive a motor vehicle, other than a commercial motor vehicle, upon the highways under the following conditions:

(1) If the permit is issued to a person who is at least fifteen years ~~six months~~ of age, but less than sixteen years of age:

(a) The permit and identification card are in the holder's

immediate possession; 20

(b) The holder is accompanied by an eligible adult who 21  
actually occupies the seat beside the permit holder and does not 22  
have a prohibited concentration of alcohol in the whole blood, 23  
blood serum or plasma, breath, or urine as provided in division 24  
(A) of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code; 25

(c) The total number of occupants of the vehicle does not 26  
exceed the total number of occupant restraining devices 27  
originally installed in the motor vehicle by its manufacturer, 28  
and each occupant of the vehicle is wearing all of the available 29  
elements of a properly adjusted occupant restraining device. 30

(2) If the permit is issued to a person who is at least 31  
sixteen years of age: 32

(a) The permit and identification card are in the holder's 33  
immediate possession; 34

(b) The holder is accompanied by a licensed operator who 35  
is at least twenty-one years of age, is actually occupying a 36  
seat beside the driver, and does not have a prohibited 37  
concentration of alcohol in the whole blood, blood serum or 38  
plasma, breath, or urine as provided in division (A) of section 39  
4511.19 of the Revised Code; 40

(c) The total number of occupants of the vehicle does not 41  
exceed the total number of occupant restraining devices 42  
originally installed in the motor vehicle by its manufacturer, 43  
and each occupant of the vehicle is wearing all of the available 44  
elements of a properly adjusted occupant restraining device. 45

(B) The registrar or a deputy registrar, upon receiving 46  
from any person an application for a temporary instruction 47  
permit and temporary instruction permit identification card to 48

operate a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle or motor scooter, or 49  
motorized bicycle, may issue such a permit and identification 50  
card entitling the applicant, while having the permit and 51  
identification card in the applicant's immediate possession, to 52  
drive a motorcycle or motor-driven cycle or motor scooter, under 53  
the restrictions prescribed in section 4511.53 of the Revised 54  
Code, or to drive a motorized bicycle under restrictions 55  
determined by the registrar. A temporary instruction permit and 56  
temporary instruction permit identification card to operate a 57  
motorized bicycle may be issued to a person fourteen or fifteen 58  
years old. 59

(C) Any permit and identification card issued under this 60  
section shall be issued in the same manner as a driver's 61  
license, upon a form to be furnished by the registrar. A 62  
temporary instruction permit to drive a motor vehicle other than 63  
a commercial motor vehicle shall be valid for a period of one 64  
year and six months. 65

(D) Any person having in the person's possession a valid 66  
and current driver's license or motorcycle operator's license or 67  
endorsement issued to the person by another jurisdiction 68  
recognized by this state is exempt from obtaining a temporary 69  
instruction permit for a driver's license and from submitting to 70  
the examination for a temporary instruction permit and the 71  
regular examination for obtaining a driver's license or 72  
motorcycle operator's endorsement in this state if the person 73  
does all of the following: 74

(1) Submits to and passes vision screening as provided in 75  
section 4507.12 of the Revised Code; 76

(2) Surrenders to the registrar or deputy registrar the 77  
person's driver's license issued by the other jurisdiction; and 78

(3) Complies with all other applicable requirements for 79  
issuance by this state of a driver's license, driver's license 80  
with a motorcycle operator's endorsement, or restricted license 81  
to operate a motorcycle. 82

If the person does not comply with all the requirements of 83  
this division, the person shall submit to the regular 84  
examination for obtaining a driver's license or motorcycle 85  
operator's endorsement in this state in order to obtain such a 86  
license or endorsement. 87

(E) The registrar may adopt rules governing the use of 88  
temporary instruction permits and temporary instruction permit 89  
identification cards. 90

(F) (1) No holder of a permit issued under division (A) of 91  
this section shall operate a motor vehicle upon a highway or any 92  
public or private property used by the public for purposes of 93  
vehicular travel or parking in violation of the conditions 94  
established under division (A) of this section. 95

(2) Except as otherwise provided in division (F) (2) of 96  
this section, no holder of a permit that is issued under 97  
division (A) of this section ~~and that is issued on or after July~~ 98  
~~1, 1998, and who has not attained the age of under eighteen~~ 99  
~~years, of age shall operate a motor vehicle upon a highway or~~ 100  
any public or private property used by the public for purposes 101  
of vehicular travel or parking between the hours of midnight and 102  
six a.m. 103

The holder of a permit issued under division (A) of this 104  
section ~~on or after July 1, 1998, who has not attained the age~~ 105  
~~of under eighteen years, of age may operate a motor vehicle upon~~ 106  
a highway or any public or private property used by the public 107

for purposes of vehicular travel or parking between the hours of 108  
midnight and six a.m. if, at the time of such operation, the 109  
holder is accompanied by the holder's parent, guardian, or 110  
custodian, and the parent, guardian, or custodian holds a 111  
current valid driver's or commercial driver's license issued by 112  
this state, is actually occupying a seat beside the permit 113  
holder, and does not have a prohibited concentration of alcohol 114  
in the whole blood, blood serum or plasma, breath, or urine as 115  
provided in division (A) of section 4511.19 of the Revised Code. 116

(G) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the 117  
contrary, no law enforcement officer shall cause the operator of 118  
a motor vehicle being operated on any street or highway to stop 119  
the motor vehicle for the sole purpose of determining whether 120  
each occupant of the motor vehicle is wearing all of the 121  
available elements of a properly adjusted occupant restraining 122  
device as required by division (A) of this section, or for the 123  
sole purpose of issuing a ticket, citation, or summons if the 124  
requirement in that division has been or is being violated, or 125  
for causing the arrest of or commencing a prosecution of a 126  
person for a violation of that requirement. 127

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the 128  
contrary, no law enforcement officer shall cause the operator of 129  
a motor vehicle being operated on any street or highway to stop 130  
the motor vehicle for the sole purpose of determining whether a 131  
violation of division (F) (2) of this section has been or is 132  
being committed or for the sole purpose of issuing a ticket, 133  
citation, or summons for such a violation or for causing the 134  
arrest of or commencing a prosecution of a person for such 135  
violation. 136

(H) As used in this section: 137

(1) "Eligible adult" means any of the following:	138
(a) An instructor of a driver training course approved by the department of public safety;	139 140
(b) Any of the following persons who holds a current valid driver's or commercial driver's license issued by this state:	141 142
(i) A parent, guardian, or custodian of the permit holder;	143
(ii) A person twenty-one years of age or older who acts in loco parentis of the permit holder.	144 145
(2) "Occupant restraining device" has the same meaning as in section 4513.263 of the Revised Code.	146 147
(I) Whoever violates division (F) (1) or (2) of this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.	148 149
<b>Sec. 4507.071.</b> (A) The registrar of motor vehicles or any deputy registrar shall not issue a driver's license to any person under eighteen years of age, except that the registrar or a deputy registrar may issue a probationary license to a person who is at least sixteen years of age and has held a temporary instruction permit for a period of at least <del>six months</del> <u>one year</u> .	150 151 152 153 154 155
(B) (1) (a) No holder of a probationary driver's license who has held the license for less than twelve months shall operate a motor vehicle upon a highway or any public or private property used by the public for purposes of vehicular travel or parking between the hours of midnight and six a.m. unless the holder is accompanied by the holder's parent or guardian.	156 157 158 159 160 161
(b) No holder of a probationary driver's license who has held the license for twelve months or longer shall operate a motor vehicle upon a highway or any public or private property used by the public for purposes of vehicular travel or parking	162 163 164 165

between the hours of one a.m. and five a.m. unless the holder is 166  
accompanied by the holder's parent or guardian. 167

(2) (a) Subject to division (D) (1) of this section, 168  
division (B) (1) (a) of this section does not apply to the holder 169  
of a probationary driver's license who is doing ~~either~~ any of 170  
the following: 171

(i) Traveling to or from work between the hours of 172  
midnight and six a.m., provided that the holder has in the 173  
holder's immediate possession written documentation from the 174  
holder's employer; 175

(ii) Traveling to or from an official function sponsored 176  
by the school the holder attends between the hours of midnight 177  
and six a.m., provided that the holder has in the holder's 178  
immediate possession written documentation from an appropriate 179  
official of the school; 180

(iii) Traveling to or from an official religious event 181  
between the hours of midnight and six a.m., provided that the 182  
holder has in the holder's immediate possession written 183  
documentation from an appropriate official affiliated with the 184  
event. 185

(b) Division (B) (1) (b) of this section does not apply to 186  
the holder of a probationary driver's license who is doing- 187  
~~either~~ any of the following: 188

(i) Traveling to or from work between the hours of one 189  
a.m. and five a.m., provided that the holder has in the holder's 190  
immediate possession written documentation from the holder's 191  
employer; 192

(ii) Traveling to or from an official function sponsored 193  
by the school the holder attends between the hours of one a.m. 194

and five a.m., provided that the holder has in the holder's 195  
immediate possession written documentation from an appropriate 196  
official of the school; 197

(iii) Traveling to or from an official religious event 198  
between the hours of one a.m. and five a.m., provided that the 199  
holder has in the holder's immediate possession written 200  
documentation from an appropriate official affiliated with the 201  
event. 202

(3) An employer, school official, or official affiliated 203  
with a religious event is not liable in damages in a civil 204  
action for any injury, death, or loss to person or property that 205  
allegedly arises from, or is related to, the fact that the 206  
employer, school official, or official affiliated with a 207  
religious event provided the holder of a probationary driver's 208  
license with the written documentation described in division (B) 209  
(2) of this section. 210

The registrar of motor vehicles shall make available at no 211  
cost a form to serve as the written documentation described in 212  
division (B)(2) of this section, and employers, school 213  
officials, officials affiliated with religious events, and 214  
holders of probationary driver's licenses may utilize that form 215  
or may choose to utilize any other written documentation to meet 216  
the requirements of that division. 217

(4) No holder of a probationary driver's license who has 218  
held the license for less than twelve months shall operate a 219  
motor vehicle upon a highway or any public or private property 220  
used by the public for purposes of vehicular travel or parking 221  
with more than one person who is not a family member occupying 222  
the vehicle unless the probationary license holder is 223  
accompanied by the probationary license holder's parent, 224



guardian, or custodian. 225

(C) It is an affirmative defense to a violation of 226  
division (B)(1)(a) or (b) of this section if, at the time of the 227  
violation, an emergency existed that required the holder of the 228  
probationary driver's license to operate a motor vehicle in 229  
violation of division (B)(1)(a) or (b) of this section or the 230  
holder was an emancipated minor. 231

(D)(1) If a person is issued a probationary driver's 232  
license prior to attaining the age of seventeen years and the 233  
person pleads guilty to, is convicted of, or is adjudicated in 234  
juvenile court of having committed a moving violation during the 235  
six-month period commencing on the date on which the person is 236  
issued the probationary driver's license, the court with 237  
jurisdiction over the violation may order that the holder must 238  
be accompanied by the holder's parent or guardian whenever the 239  
holder is operating a motor vehicle upon a highway or any public 240  
or private property used by the public for purposes of vehicular 241  
travel or parking for a period not to exceed six months or the 242  
date the holder attains the age of seventeen years, whichever 243  
occurs first. 244

(2) Any person who is subject to the operating 245  
restrictions established under division (D)(1) of this section 246  
as a result of a first moving violation may petition the court 247  
for driving privileges without being accompanied by the holder's 248  
parent or guardian during the period of time determined by the 249  
court under that division. In granting the driving privileges, 250  
the court shall specify the purposes of the privileges and shall 251  
issue the person appropriate forms setting forth the privileges 252  
granted. If a person is convicted of, pleads guilty to, or is 253  
adjudicated in juvenile court of having committed a second or 254

subsequent moving violation, the court with jurisdiction over 255  
the violation may terminate any driving privileges previously 256  
granted under this division. 257

(3) No person shall violate any operating restriction 258  
imposed under division (D) (1) or (2) of this section. 259

(E) No holder of a probationary license shall operate a 260  
motor vehicle upon a highway or any public or private property 261  
used by the public for purposes of vehicular travel or parking 262  
unless the total number of occupants of the vehicle does not 263  
exceed the total number of occupant restraining devices 264  
originally installed in the motor vehicle by its manufacturer, 265  
and each occupant of the vehicle is wearing all of the available 266  
elements of a properly adjusted occupant restraining device. 267

(F) A restricted license may be issued to a person who is 268  
fourteen or fifteen years of age upon proof of hardship 269  
satisfactory to the registrar of motor vehicles. 270

(G) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the 271  
contrary, no law enforcement officer shall cause the operator of 272  
a motor vehicle being operated on any street or highway to stop 273  
the motor vehicle for the sole purpose of determining whether 274  
each occupant of the motor vehicle is wearing all of the 275  
available elements of a properly adjusted occupant restraining 276  
device as required by division (E) of this section, or for the 277  
sole purpose of issuing a ticket, citation, or summons if the 278  
requirement in that division has been or is being violated, or 279  
for causing the arrest of or commencing a prosecution of a 280  
person for a violation of that requirement. 281

(H) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the 282  
contrary, no law enforcement officer shall cause the operator of 283

a motor vehicle being operated on any street or highway to stop	284
the motor vehicle for the sole purpose of determining whether a	285
violation of division (B) (1) (a) or (b) of this section has been	286
or is being committed or for the sole purpose of issuing a	287
ticket, citation, or summons for such a violation or for causing	288
the arrest of or commencing a prosecution of a person for such	289
violation.	290
(I) As used in this section:	291
(1) "Occupant restraining device" has the same meaning as	292
in section 4513.263 of the Revised Code.	293
(2) "Family member" of a probationary license holder	294
includes any of the following:	295
(a) A spouse;	296
(b) A child or stepchild;	297
(c) A parent, stepparent, grandparent, or parent-in-law;	298
(d) An aunt or uncle;	299
(e) A sibling, whether of the whole or half blood or by	300
adoption, a brother-in-law, or a sister-in-law;	301
(f) A son or daughter of the probationary license holder's	302
stepparent if the stepparent has not adopted the probationary	303
license holder;	304
(g) An eligible adult, as defined in section 4507.05 of	305
the Revised Code.	306
(3) "Moving violation" means any violation of any statute	307
or ordinance that regulates the operation of vehicles,	308
streetcars, or trackless trolleys on the highways or streets.	309
"Moving violation" does not include a violation of section	310

4513.263 of the Revised Code or a substantially equivalent 311  
municipal ordinance, or a violation of any statute or ordinance 312  
regulating pedestrians or the parking of vehicles, vehicle size 313  
or load limitations, vehicle fitness requirements, or vehicle 314  
registration. 315

(J) Whoever violates division (B) (1) or (4), (D) (3), or 316  
(E) of this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. 317

**Sec. 4507.21.** (A) Except as provided in section 4507.061 318  
of the Revised Code, each applicant for a driver's license shall 319  
file an application in the office of the registrar of motor 320  
vehicles or of a deputy registrar. 321

(B) (1) Except as provided in division (B) (4) of this 322  
section, each person under twenty-one years of age applying for 323  
~~a~~an initial driver's license ~~issued in this state~~ and each 324  
person twenty-one years of age or older applying for an initial 325  
limited term license in this state shall present satisfactory 326  
evidence of having successfully completed one of the following: 327

(a) A driver training course approved by the director of 328  
public safety. 329

(b) A driver training course comparable to a driver 330  
training course described in division (B) (1) (a) of this section 331  
and administered by a branch of the armed forces of the United 332  
States and completed by the applicant while residing outside 333  
this state for the purpose of being with or near any person 334  
serving in the armed forces of the United States. 335

(2) ~~Each~~Except as provided in division (B) (4) of this 336  
section, each person under twenty-one years of age applying for 337  
~~a~~an initial driver's license also shall present, ~~on a form~~ 338  
~~prescribed by the registrar, an~~ either of the following: 339

(a) An affidavit, on a form prescribed by the registrar, 340  
signed by ~~an eligible~~ a qualified adult attesting that the 341  
person has acquired at least fifty hours of actual driving 342  
experience, with at least ten of those hours being at night; 343

(b) A certificate of completion generated by an electronic 344  
device or application approved in accordance with rules adopted 345  
under section 4508.02 of the Revised Code that is programmed to 346  
verify that the person completed at least forty hours of actual 347  
driving experience with a qualified adult utilizing the 348  
electronic device or application, with at least ten of those 349  
hours being at night. 350

(3) Except as provided in division (B) (4) of this section, 351  
each person twenty-one years of age or older applying for an 352  
initial limited term license in this state also shall present, 353  
~~on a form prescribed by the registrar, an~~ either of the 354  
following: 355

(a) An affidavit, on a form prescribed by the registrar, 356  
signed by ~~an~~ a qualified adult ~~who holds a current valid~~ 357  
~~driver's or commercial driver's license issued by this state~~ 358  
attesting that the applicant has acquired at least fifty hours 359  
of actual driving experience, with at least ten of those hours 360  
being at night, accompanied by the signing adult; 361

(b) A certificate of completion generated by an electronic 362  
device or application approved in accordance with rules adopted 363  
under section 4508.02 of the Revised Code that is programmed to 364  
verify that the person completed at least forty hours of actual 365  
driving experience with a qualified adult utilizing the 366  
electronic device or application, with at least ten of those 367  
hours being at night. 368

(4) Both of the following individuals are exempt from the requirements specified in divisions (B) (1) ~~and to~~ (3) of this section:

(a) A person who receives a waiver of the examination by the registrar in accordance with section 4507.10 of the Revised Code;

(b) An initial limited term license applicant twenty-one years of age or older who is from a country with which the registrar has a reciprocal arrangement in accordance with section 4507.101 of the Revised Code.

(C) (1) An applicant for an initial driver's license shall present satisfactory evidence of successful completion of the abbreviated driver training course for adults, approved by the director of public safety under section 4508.02 of the Revised Code, if all of the following apply:

(a) The applicant is twenty-one years of age or older.

(b) The applicant failed the road or maneuverability test required under division (A) (2) of section 4507.11 of the Revised Code.

(c) In the twelve months immediately preceding the date of application, the applicant has not successfully completed a driver training course.

(2) An applicant required to present satisfactory evidence under division (C) (1) of this section shall also present either of the following:

(a) An affidavit, on a form prescribed by the registrar, signed by a qualified adult attesting that the person has acquired at least twenty-five hours of actual driving

experience; 397

(b) A certificate of completion generated by an electronic device or application approved in accordance with rules adopted under section 4508.02 of the Revised Code that is programmed to verify that the person completed at least twenty hours of actual driving experience with a qualified adult utilizing the electronic device or application. 398  
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(3) An applicant shall present the satisfactory evidence and affidavit or certificate of completion as required under ~~division~~ divisions (C) (1) and (2) of this section prior to attempting the test a second or subsequent time. 404  
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(D) If the registrar or deputy registrar determines that the applicant is entitled to the driver's license, it shall be issued. If the application shows that the applicant's license has been previously canceled or suspended, the deputy registrar shall forward the application to the registrar, who shall determine whether the license shall be granted. 408  
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(E) An applicant shall file an application under this section in duplicate, and the deputy registrar issuing the license shall immediately forward to the office of the registrar the original copy of the application, together with the duplicate copy of any certificate of completion if issued for purposes of division (B) of this section. The registrar shall prescribe rules as to the manner in which the deputy registrar files and maintains the applications and other records. The registrar shall file every application for a driver's or commercial driver's license and index them by name and number, and shall maintain a suitable record of all licenses issued, all convictions and bond forfeitures, all applications for licenses denied, and all licenses that have been suspended or canceled. 414  
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(F) For purposes of section 2313.06 of the Revised Code, 427  
the registrar shall maintain accurate and current lists of the 428  
residents of each county who are eighteen years of age or older, 429  
have been issued, on and after January 1, 1984, driver's or 430  
commercial driver's licenses that are valid and current, and 431  
would be electors if they were registered to vote, regardless of 432  
whether they actually are registered to vote. The lists shall 433  
contain the names, addresses, dates of birth, duration of 434  
residence in this state, citizenship status, and social security 435  
numbers, if the numbers are available, of the licensees, and may 436  
contain any other information that the registrar considers 437  
suitable. 438

(G) Each person under eighteen years of age applying for a 439  
motorcycle operator's endorsement or a restricted license 440  
enabling the applicant to operate a motorcycle shall present 441  
satisfactory evidence of having completed the courses of 442  
instruction in the motorcycle safety and education program 443  
described in section 4508.08 of the Revised Code or a comparable 444  
course of instruction administered by a branch of the armed 445  
forces of the United States and completed by the applicant while 446  
residing outside this state for the purpose of being with or 447  
near any person serving in the armed forces of the United 448  
States. If the registrar or deputy registrar then determines 449  
that the applicant is entitled to the endorsement or restricted 450  
license, it shall be issued. 451

(H) No person shall knowingly make a false statement in an 452  
affidavit presented in accordance with ~~division (B) (2)~~ divisions 453  
(B) (2) (a), (3) (a), and (C) (2) (a) of this section. 454

(I) As used in this section, ~~"eligible":~~ 455

(1) "Electronic device or application" has the same 456



meaning as in section 4508.02 of the Revised Code. 457

(2) "Qualified adult" means any of the following persons: 458

~~(1)~~(a) A parent, guardian, or custodian of the applicant\_ 459  
if the applicant is under eighteen years of age; 460

~~(2)~~(b) A person over the age of twenty-one who acts in 461  
loco parentis of the applicant and who maintains proof of 462  
financial responsibility with respect to the operation of a 463  
motor vehicle owned by the applicant or with respect to the 464  
applicant's operation of any motor vehicle if the applicant is 465  
under eighteen years of age; 466

(c) A person over the age of eighteen who holds a current 467  
valid driver's or commercial driver's license issued by this 468  
state if the applicant is eighteen years of age or older. 469

(J) Whoever violates division (H) of this section is 470  
guilty of a minor misdemeanor and shall be fined one hundred 471  
dollars. 472

**Sec. 4508.02.** (A) (1) The director of public safety, 473  
subject to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt and 474  
prescribe such rules concerning the administration and 475  
enforcement of this chapter as are necessary to protect the 476  
public. The rules shall require an assessment of the holder of a 477  
probationary instructor license. The director shall inspect the 478  
school facilities and equipment of applicants and licensees and 479  
examine applicants for instructor's licenses. 480

(2) The director shall adopt rules governing online driver 481  
education courses that may be completed via the internet to 482  
satisfy the classroom instruction under division (C) of this 483  
section. The rules shall do all of the following: 484

(a) Establish standards that an online driver training enterprise must satisfy to be licensed to offer an online driver education course via the internet, including, at a minimum, proven expertise in providing driver education and an acceptable infrastructure capable of providing secure online driver education in accord with advances in internet technology. The rules shall allow an online driver training enterprise to be affiliated with a licensed driver training school offering in-person classroom instruction, but shall not require such an affiliation.

(b) Establish content requirements that an online driver education course must satisfy to be approved as equivalent to twenty-four hours of in-person classroom instruction;

(c) Establish attendance standards, including a maximum number of course hours that may be completed in a twenty-four-hour period;

(d) Allow an enrolled applicant to begin the required eight hours of actual behind-the-wheel instruction upon completing all twenty-four hours of course instruction;

(e) Establish any other requirements necessary to regulate online driver education.

(3) The director shall adopt rules that establish requirements for the approval of electronic devices and applications and the form of a certificate of completion that may be utilized for purposes of this section and sections 4507.21 and 4508.041 of the Revised Code. The rules also shall establish any procedures and requirements that are necessary to implement the use of electronic devices and applications for purposes of those sections, including procedures and

requirements governing the examination of electronic devices and 514  
applications by the registrar of motor vehicles or a deputy 515  
registrar to verify compliance with the rules. The director 516  
shall not unreasonably withhold approval of an electronic device 517  
or application if that device or application meets the 518  
requirements set forth in rules. 519

(B) The director shall administer and enforce this 520  
chapter. 521

(C) The rules shall require ~~twenty-four~~ all of the 522  
following: 523

(1) Twenty-four hours of completed in-person classroom 524  
instruction or the completion of an approved, equivalent online 525  
driver education course offered via the internet by a licensed 526  
online driver training enterprise, followed by eight hours of 527  
actual behind-the-wheel instruction conducted on public streets 528  
and highways of this state for all beginning drivers of 529  
noncommercial motor vehicles who are required to complete the 530  
training under section 4507.21 of the Revised Code. ~~The rules~~ 531  
~~shall allow beginning;~~ 532

(2) Beginning drivers of noncommercial motor vehicles to 533  
complete the driver education course at any point while holding 534  
a valid temporary instruction permit. ~~The rules also shall~~ 535  
~~require the;~~ 536

(3) The classroom instruction or online driver education 537  
course for such drivers to include instruction on ~~both~~ all of 538  
the following: 539

~~(1)~~ (a) The dangers of driving a motor vehicle while 540  
distracted, including while using an electronic wireless 541  
communications device, or engaging in any other activity that 542

distracts a driver from the safe and effective operation of a 543  
motor vehicle; 544

~~(2)~~ (b) The dangers of driving a motor vehicle while under 545  
the influence of a controlled substance, prescription 546  
medication, or alcohol; 547

(c) Proper techniques to use when driving a motor vehicle 548  
in the following circumstances: 549

(i) Weather conditions, including rain, fog, hail, sleet, 550  
snow, and high winds; 551

(ii) Adverse road conditions, including potholes, road 552  
debris, construction, and road detours; 553

(iii) Road hazards caused by animals, including animals 554  
that enter the roadway unexpectedly; 555

(iv) Incidents involving road rage, speeding, reckless 556  
driving, erratic driving, and other aggressive driving 557  
behaviors; 558

(v) Incidents during which the motor vehicle skids, 559  
slides, or otherwise moves in an uncontrolled manner. 560

The rules may allow a qualified adult, pursuant to section 561  
4508.041 of the Revised Code, to provide actual behind-the-wheel 562  
instruction conducted on public streets and highways of this 563  
state for not more than four of the eight hours required under 564  
divisions (A) (2) (d) and (C) (1) of this section, provided that 565  
the qualified adult is assisted by an electronic device or 566  
application. 567

(D) The rules shall state the minimum hours for classroom 568  
and behind-the-wheel instruction required for beginning drivers 569  
of commercial trucks, commercial cars, buses, and commercial 570

tractors, trailers, and semitrailers. 571

(E) (1) The department of public safety may charge a fee to 572  
each online driver training enterprise in an amount sufficient 573  
to pay the actual expenses the department incurs in the 574  
regulation of online driver education courses. 575

(2) The department shall supply to each licensed online 576  
driver training enterprise certificates to be used for 577  
certifying an applicant's enrollment in an approved online 578  
driver education course and a separate certificate to be issued 579  
upon successful completion of an approved online driver 580  
education course. The certificates shall be numbered serially. 581  
The department may charge a fee to each online driver training 582  
enterprise per certificate supplied to pay the actual expenses 583  
the department incurs in supplying the certificates. 584

(F) The director shall adopt rules in accordance with 585  
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code governing an abbreviated driver 586  
training course for adults. The rules shall require that the 587  
abbreviated driver training course for adults include both of 588  
the following: 589

(1) Either four hours of classroom equivalent training 590  
offered via the internet through a licensed online enterprise or 591  
four hours of in-person classroom or virtual classroom 592  
instruction; 593

(2) Eight hours of behind-the-wheel instruction, four 594  
hours of which may be provided by a qualified adult utilizing an 595  
electronic device or application. The rules shall require the 596  
qualified adult to be in the vehicle at all times during the 597  
active instruction provided by the electronic device or 598  
application. The rules also shall require a student to submit to 599

the registrar or a deputy registrar a certificate of completion 600  
of the four hours derived from the electronic device or 601  
application. A qualified adult using an electronic device or 602  
application in accordance with rules is exempt from the driver 603  
training instructor licensure requirements of this chapter. 604

(G) As used in this section: 605

(1) "Electronic device or application" means an electronic 606  
device or application that is approved by the director and is 607  
programmed to offer mobile and in-vehicle instruction to a 608  
student driver. 609

(2) "Qualified adult" has the same meaning as in section 610  
4507.21 of the Revised Code. 611

**Sec. 4508.041.** (A) As used in this section, "qualified 612  
adult" has the same meaning as in section 4507.21 of the Revised 613  
Code. 614

(B) Notwithstanding section 4508.04 of the Revised Code, a 615  
qualified adult may provide actual behind-the-wheel instruction 616  
for not more than four of the eight hours required by section 617  
4508.02 of the Revised Code, provided all of the following 618  
apply: 619

(1) The qualified adult is assisted by an electronic 620  
device or application that is programmed to offer mobile and in- 621  
vehicle instruction to the student driver. 622

(2) The qualified adult is in the vehicle with the student 623  
driver at all times during the active instruction provided by 624  
the electronic device or application. 625

(3) The student driver has completed the four or twenty- 626  
four hours of classroom instruction, as applicable. 627

(4) The electronic device or application is programmed to 628  
comply with the department of public safety's driver training 629  
curriculum and has been approved by the director of public 630  
safety. 631

(C) A qualified adult may use an electronic device or 632  
application that is programmed to offer mobile and in-vehicle 633  
instruction to the student driver to supervise the forty hours 634  
of actual driving experience required by division (B) (2) (b) of 635  
section 4507.21 of the Revised Code or the twenty hours of 636  
actual driving experience required by division (C) (2) of section 637  
4507.21 of the Revised Code, as applicable. 638

(D) A qualified adult using an electronic device or 639  
application in accordance with this section and rules adopted 640  
under section 4508.02 of the Revised Code is exempt from the 641  
driver training instructor licensure requirements of this 642  
chapter. 643

**Section 2.** That existing sections 4507.05, 4507.071, 644  
4507.21, and 4508.02 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 645