

The House Committee on Motor Vehicles offers the following substitute to HB 1529:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 40-5-26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to applications of minors for drivers' licenses and distinctive licenses for persons under age 21, so as to provide for revocation of minors' permits and drivers' licenses upon requests by persons who signed and verified the minors' applications; to provide for issuance of new instruction permits and drivers' licenses following such revocations; to provide for insurance matters related to such revocations; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Code Section 40-5-26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to applications of minors for drivers' licenses and distinctive licenses for persons under age 21, is amended by striking subsection (a) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(a)(1) The application of any person under the age of 18 years for an instruction permit or driver's license shall be signed and verified by the father, mother, or guardian of the applicant before a person authorized to administer oaths or, in the event there is no parent or guardian, by another responsible adult.

(2)(A) A person who signed and verified a minor's successful application for an instruction permit or driver's license may subsequently during such minority request revocation of the minor's instruction permit or driver's license by written notice to the department on such form as specified thereby, signed and verified before a person authorized to administer oaths. Upon receipt of such request and payment of a fee in an amount equivalent to that which was required for issuance of the instruction permit or driver's license, the department shall revoke the minor's instruction permit or driver's license.

(B) A minor whose instruction permit or driver's license has been revoked under this paragraph shall not be eligible for issuance of another instruction permit or driver's license until he or she reaches 18 years of age, unless consent for issuance of an

1 instruction permit or driver's license has been granted as provided by paragraph (1) of
2 this subsection upon application of the minor made not sooner than six months after the
3 effective date of revocation.

4 (C) The provisions of Code Section 40-5-62 shall not apply to a person whose
5 instruction permit or driver's license has been revoked under this paragraph.

6 (D) A revocation of a minor's instruction permit or driver's license under this
7 paragraph shall not be deemed a revocation for purposes of any increase in insurance
8 rates or cancellation of any policy of motor vehicle insurance for which the minor is not
9 the sole named insured, but such a policy may be amended so as to remove such minor
10 from the list of named insureds under such policy."

11 **SECTION 2.**

12 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.