

House Bill 1168 (FLOOR SUBSTITUTE)

By: Representatives Rice of the 64th, Parham of the 94th, and Powell of the 23rd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor
2 vehicle drivers' licenses, so as to provide that licensed driver training instructors may under
3 certain conditions act as agents for parents or guardians for purposes of applications for
4 drivers' licenses or instruction permits; to provide that the Department of Motor Vehicle
5 Safety may authorize licensed driver training schools to administer the driver's examination;
6 to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

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

13 "(a) The application of any person under the age of 18 years for an instruction permit or
14 driver's license shall be ~~signed~~;

15 (1) Signed and verified by the father, mother, or guardian of the applicant before a
16 person authorized to administer oaths or, in the event there is no parent or guardian, by
17 another responsible adult; or

18 (2) Signed and verified by a licensed driver training instructor before a person authorized
19 to administer oaths when such instructor is acting as an agent for such purposes on behalf
20 of the father, mother, or guardian of the applicant and such agency is evidenced by
21 permission of such parent or guardian which has been granted in writing and signed and
22 verified by such parent or guardian before a person authorized to administer oaths and on
23 such form as shall be prescribed by rule or regulation of the department."

1 The department may establish by rules and regulations the type of tests or demonstrations
2 to be made by applicants for any Class C or Class D driver's license under this Code
3 section."

4 **SECTION 3.**

5 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.