

The Senate Committee on Education and Youth offered the following substitute to SB 212:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 40-5-27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 examination of applicants, so as to revise the criteria by which the Department of Driver
3 Services shall authorize certain licensed driver training schools to administer the on-the-road
4 driving skills testing; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal
5 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

7 Code Section 40-5-27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to examination of
8 applicants, is amended by revising subsection (d) as follows:

9 "(d)(1) The department shall authorize licensed driver training schools to conduct
10 knowledge tests, on-the-road driving skills tests, and other tests required for issuance of
11 a driver's license as provided in this subsection. The department shall, prior to approving
12 a licensed driver training school to conduct tests as provided in this subsection, make a
13 determination that the school has been licensed for a minimum of two years and has
14 conducted driver education courses on a full-time basis for such two-year period and that
15 such school meets all other standards which the department may establish as a condition
16 for approval to conduct such tests. The department shall authorize a driver training
17 school licensed pursuant to Chapter 13 of Title 43 and approved by the department to
18 administer the on-the-road driving skills testing provided for in this Code section,
19 provided that the applicant has successfully completed:

20 (A) A a driver training course which includes a minimum of 30 class hours of
21 instruction and six hours of private in-car training;

22 (B) An online driver education course licensed by the department and consisting of a
23 minimum of 30 hours of instruction in addition to six hours of private in-car instruction
24 provided by a driver training school licensed to provide such in-car training;
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26 (C) An online driver education course licensed by the department and consisting of a
 27 minimum of 30 hours of instruction and the 40 hour parent taught in-car curriculum
 28 provided for and approved by the department:

29 (D) A classroom driver education course licensed by the department and consisting of
 30 a minimum of 30 hours of instruction in addition to six hours of in-car instruction
 31 provided by the licensed driver training school administering the on-the-road driving
 32 skills test; or

33 (2) The department may establish by rules and regulations the type of tests or
 34 demonstrations to be made by applicants for any Class P instruction permit, Class C
 35 driver's license, or Class D driver's license under this Code section.

36 ~~(2)~~(3) The department may authorize public and private high schools to conduct
 37 knowledge tests required for issuance of a Class P instruction permit or Class D driver's
 38 license or both."

39 **SECTION 2.**

40 This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2020.

41 **SECTION 3.**

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