
HOUSE BILL No. 1444

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-24-9.

Synopsis: Revocation of minor's financial responsibility. Specifies that the order of priority for the acceptance of financial liability for a minor who receives a driver's license or permit is: (1) a parent with custody; (2) a guardian with custody; (3) an employer; or (4) any other responsible individual. Provides that an individual who has not accepted financial liability for a minor who receives a driver's license or permit but is higher in priority may file a verified written request that the permit or license be canceled with the bureau of motor vehicles.

Effective: July 1, 2001.

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January 11, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2000 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-24-9-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
2 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 3. The application of an individual
3 less than eighteen (18) years of age for a permit or license under this
4 chapter must be signed and sworn to or affirmed by one (1) of the
5 following **in order of priority**:

- 6 (1) ~~The A~~ parent **having with** custody of the minor applicant.
- 7 (2) ~~The If there is no parent with custody, a~~ guardian **having**
8 **with** custody of the minor applicant.
- 9 (3) If neither parent is living in Indiana and the applicant has no
10 guardian, ~~the person having custody or~~ an employer of the minor
11 applicant.
- 12 (4) If there is no parent, guardian, or employer, any other
13 responsible individual who is willing to assume the obligations
14 imposed by the provisions of this chapter.

15 SECTION 2. IC 9-24-9-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
16 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 4. (a) An individual who signs an
17 application for a permit or license under this chapter agrees to be



1 responsible jointly and severally with the minor applicant for any injury
2 or damage that the minor applicant causes by reason of the operation
3 of a motor vehicle if the minor applicant is liable in damages.

4 (b) An:

5 (1) individual who has signed the application of a minor applicant
6 for a permit or license; or

7 (2) individual who:

8 (A) has not signed the application of a minor applicant for
9 a permit or license; and

10 (B) is higher in priority under section 3 of this chapter than
11 the individual who signed the application of the minor
12 applicant for a permit or license;

13 may subsequently file with the bureau a verified written request that the
14 permit or license be canceled. The bureau shall cancel the permit or
15 license and the individual who signed the application of the minor
16 applicant shall be relieved from the liability that is imposed under this
17 chapter by reason of having signed the application and that is
18 subsequently incurred by the minor applicant in operating a motor
19 vehicle.

20 (c) When a minor applicant becomes eighteen (18) years of age, the
21 individual who signed the minor's application is relieved from the
22 liability imposed under this chapter and subsequently incurred by the
23 applicant operating a motor vehicle.

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