

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT

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Page 340, strike line 9 and all that follows through page 347, line 25, and insert the following:

1 (f) STATE GRADUATED DRIVER LICENSING INCEN-
2 TIVE GRANT.—Section 405(g)(2) of title 23, United
3 States Code, is amended—

4 (1) in subparagraph (A) by striking “21” and
5 inserting “18”; and

6 (2) by striking subparagraph (B) and inserting
7 the following:

8 “(B) LICENSING PROCESS.—A State is in
9 compliance with the 2-stage licensing process
10 described in this subparagraph if the State’s
11 driver’s license laws include—

12 “(i) a learner’s permit stage that—

13 “(I) is at least 6 months in dura-
14 tion;

15 “(II) contains a prohibition on
16 the driver using a personal wireless
17 communications device (as defined in
18 subsection (e)) while driving except

1 under an exception permitted under
2 paragraph (4) of that subsection, and
3 makes a violation of the prohibition a
4 primary offense;

5 “(III) requires applicants to suc-
6 cessfully pass a vision and knowledge
7 assessment prior to receiving a learn-
8 er’s permit;

9 “(IV) requires that the driver be
10 accompanied and supervised at all
11 times while the driver is operating a
12 motor vehicle by a licensed driver who
13 is at least 21 years of age or is a
14 State-certified driving instructor;

15 “(V) has a requirement that the
16 driver—

17 “(aa) complete a State-cer-
18 tified driver education or training
19 course; or

20 “(bb) obtain at least 50
21 hours of behind-the-wheel train-
22 ing, with at least 10 hours at
23 night, with a licensed driver; and

24 “(VI) remains in effect until the
25 driver—

1 “(aa) reaches 16 years of
2 age and enters the intermediate
3 stage; or

4 “(bb) reaches 18 years of
5 age;

6 “(ii) an intermediate stage that—

7 “(I) commences immediately
8 after the expiration of the learner’s
9 permit stage and successful comple-
10 tion of a driving skills assessment;

11 “(II) is at least 6 months in du-
12 ration;

13 “(III) prohibits the driver from
14 using a personal wireless communica-
15 tions device (as defined in subsection
16 (e)) while driving except under an ex-
17 ception permitted under paragraph
18 (4) of that subsection, and makes a
19 violation of the prohibition a primary
20 offense;

21 “(IV) for the first 6 month of the
22 intermediate stage, restricts driving at
23 night between the hours of 10:00 p.m.
24 and 5:00 a.m. when not supervised by
25 a licensed driver 21 years of age or

1 older, excluding transportation to
2 work, school, religious activities, or
3 emergencies;

4 “(V) prohibits the driver from
5 operating a motor vehicle with more
6 than 1 nonfamilial passenger younger
7 than 21 years of age unless a licensed
8 driver who is at least 21 years of age
9 is in the motor vehicle; and

10 “(VI) remains in effect until the
11 driver reaches 17 years of age; and

12 “(iii) a learner’s permit and inter-
13 mediate stage that require, in addition to
14 any other penalties imposed by State law,
15 the granting of an unrestricted driver’s li-
16 cense be automatically delayed for any in-
17 dividual who, during the learner’s permit
18 or intermediate stage, is convicted of a
19 driving-related offense during the first 6
20 months, including—

21 “(I) driving while intoxicated;

22 “(II) misrepresentation of the in-
23 dividual’s age;

24 “(III) reckless driving;

1 “(IV) driving without wearing a
2 seat belt;
3 “(V) speeding; or
4 “(VI) any other driving-related
5 offense, as determined by the Sec-
6 retary.”.

