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HOUSE BILL NO. [BILL NUMBER]

Commercial driver's licenses-revisions.

Sponsored by: Joint Transportation, Highways & Military  
Affairs Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; amending grounds for  
2 disqualification from driving a commercial motor vehicle  
3 for persons under twenty-one (21) years of age; authorizing  
4 records to be considered for purposes of disqualification  
5 from driving a commercial motor vehicle as specified;  
6 adding violations that qualify as serious traffic  
7 violations; authorizing the department to waive  
8 examinations for a commercial driver's license applicant as  
9 specified; providing rulemaking authority; and providing  
10 for effective dates.

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12 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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2       **Section 1.** W.S. 31-7-102(a)(xli)(D), (G) through (J)  
3 and by creating new subparagraphs (K) and (M), 31-7-114(g),  
4 31-7-120(b) and 31-7-305(a)(viii), by creating a new  
5 paragraph (ix), by renumbering paragraph (ix) as (x) and  
6 (q) are amended to read:

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8       **31-7-102. Definitions.**

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10       (a) As used in this act:

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12               (xli) "Serious traffic violation" means:

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14                       (D) Improper or erratic lane changes;

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16                       (G) Driving a commercial vehicle without  
17 obtaining a commercial driver's license or a commercial  
18 learner's permit;

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20                       (H) Driving a commercial motor vehicle  
21 without a commercial driver's license or a commercial  
22 learner's permit in the driver's possession. ~~An individual~~  
23 A person shall not be guilty of a violation of this

1 subparagraph if the ~~individual~~ person provides proof prior  
2 to or at a court or administrative hearing establishing  
3 that the ~~individual~~ person held a valid commercial driver's  
4 license or a commercial learner's permit on the date of the  
5 citation; or

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7 (J) Driving a commercial motor vehicle  
8 without the proper class of commercial driver's license or  
9 commercial learner's permit or endorsements for the  
10 specific vehicle group being operated or for the passengers  
11 or type of cargo being transported;;

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13 (K) A violation of state or local law  
14 relating to motor vehicle traffic control that prohibits  
15 using an electronic wireless communication device to write,  
16 send or read text-based communication while driving a  
17 commercial motor vehicle;

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19 (M) A violation of state or local law  
20 relating to motor vehicle traffic control that restricts or  
21 prohibits using a hand held electronic wireless  
22 communication device while driving a commercial motor  
23 vehicle.

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2           **31-7-114. Examinations; visual acuity.**

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4           (g) The department may waive the knowledge test,  
5 skills test or both, specified in subsection (e) of this  
6 section for a commercial driver license applicant who meets  
7 the requirements contained in rules and regulations of the  
8 department which shall at a minimum include the  
9 requirements designated in rules and regulations of the  
10 United States department of transportation.

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12           **31-7-120. Records to be kept by division; exceptions.**

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14           (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section,l  
15 the division shalll twelve (12) months after conviction,  
16 expunge the record relating to the suspension of a driver's  
17 license of a minor pursuant to W.S. 31-7-128(f) for the  
18 violation of any law or ordinance relating to the  
19 possession or consumption of a controlled substance or  
20 alcohol, except a violation of W.S. 31-5-233. For any  
21 person whose records of a driver's license suspension were  
22 expunged under this subsection, the suspension under this  
23 subsection is deemed not to have occurred and the

1 ~~individual~~ person may reply accordingly upon any inquiry in  
2 the matter. Notwithstanding W.S. 31-5-1214, records of  
3 suspensions under W.S. 31-7-128(f) shall not be made  
4 available for public inspection except for inspection by  
5 any law enforcement officer or agency. Any driver's license  
6 suspension or related records under this subsection shall  
7 not be the basis for any increase in insurance premiums or  
8 the cancellation of any insurance policy for a minor or his  
9 parents affected by this section. The expunged records  
10 relating to the suspension of a driver's license of a minor  
11 may be considered for purposes of disqualification from  
12 driving a commercial motor vehicle under W.S. 31-7-305.

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14 **31-7-305. Disqualification and cancellation; right to**  
15 **a hearing.**

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17 (a) Any person is disqualified from driving a  
18 commercial motor vehicle for a period of not less than one  
19 (1) year if convicted of a first violation arising from  
20 separate incidents of:

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22 (viii) Driving or being in actual physical  
23 control of a motor vehicle while the alcohol concentration

1 of the person's blood, breath or other bodily substance is  
2 eight one-hundredths of one percent (0.08%) or more; ~~or~~

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4 (ix) Driving or being in actual physical control  
5 of a motor vehicle while the alcohol concentration of the  
6 person's blood, breath or other bodily substance is two  
7 one-hundredths of one percent (0.02%) or more if the person  
8 is under twenty one (21) years of age and the person holds  
9 a valid commercial driver's license or commercial learner's  
10 permit at the time of the offense; or

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12 ~~(ix)~~ (x) Violating any local ordinance or state  
13 law in another jurisdiction which is substantially similar  
14 to any of the violations listed in this subsection.

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16 (q) Upon the department receiving credible  
17 information that the holder of a commercial driver's  
18 license or commercial learner's permit is suspected of  
19 obtaining the license in a fraudulent manner, the state  
20 shall notify the license holder in writing at the address  
21 on file that they have thirty (30) days to contact the  
22 department and schedule retesting. The notification shall  
23 specify what tests must be retaken. If the license holder

1 does not contact the department, does not take the test  
 2 required or fails any rescheduled test, the license holder  
 3 shall have his license cancelled and shall be disqualified  
 4 from driving a commercial motor vehicle for a period of one  
 5 (1) year. ~~Once cancelled, the license holder shall be~~  
 6 ~~required to reapply to the department to obtain a~~  
 7 ~~commercial driver's license or commercial learner's permit.~~

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9       **Section 2.** The department of transportation shall  
 10 promulgate rules as necessary to implement this act.

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12       **Section 3.**

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14       (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this  
 15 section, this act is effective July 1, 2025.

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17       (b) Sections 2 and 3 of this act are effective  
 18 immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a  
 19 bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of  
 20 the Wyoming Constitution.

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