

## Session 107 - (1987-1988)

**H 2954 General Bill, By Wilkins, M.O. Alexander, Alexander, H. Brown, J.H. Burris, M.D. Burris, T.M. Burris, H.H. Clyborne, W.N. Cork, R.S. Corning, Davenport, F.L. Day, Fair, Harvin, Haskins, D.O. Hawkins, B.L. Hendricks, R.O. Kay, T.T. Mappus, W.S. McCain, J.T. McElveen, R.N. McLellan, J.H. Nesbitt, Phillips, J.I. Rogers, E.W. Simpson, B.E. Threlkill, Townsend, J.B. Wilder, D. Williams and D.E. Winstead**

**Similar (S 0704)**

A Bill to amend Sections 23-5-40, 56-1-50, 56-1-130, 56-1-180, 56-1-440, 56-1-460, 56-1-720, 56-1-1030, 56-1-1040, 56-1-1090, and 56-1-1100, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to drivers' licenses, so as to provide that a person fifteen and one-half years of age instead of fifteen years of age may apply for a beginner's permit, provide that the holder of a special restricted license may have the prohibition waived to drive to and from work and to provide that at age sixteen and one-half the special restrictions are automatically removed, to increase the penalties for driving without a license, to increase the penalties for driving when a license is cancelled, suspended, or revoked, to provide that any person who exceeds seventy miles an hour is subject to receiving five points, to provide that the record of a habitual offender may be admitted as evidence, to provide that habitual offender cases are governed by the Administrative Procedures Act, to provide that a habitual offender may not be issued a driver's license for five years from the date of the final decision of the Department of Highways and Public Transportation and, if appealed, sustained by a court, to provide that the Department of Highways and Public Transportation shall make the decision prohibiting operation of a vehicle and, if a person is a habitual offender, the Department must notify the solicitor or the Attorney General; to amend Sections 56-5-750, 56-5-1520, 56-5-2930, 56-5-2940, 56-5-2945, 56-5-2950, 56-5-2990, 56-5-4100, 56-5-4450, 56-5-5015, 56-5-6410, 56-5-6420, and 56-5-6430, relating to traffic regulations, so as to provide for a mandatory minimum penalty for failure to stop when signaled by a law enforcement officer, to increase the penalties for exceeding certain speed limits, to make it unlawful to drive under the influence of alcohol or any drug which renders the operator incapable of driving safely, to increase the penalty for a felony DUI, add urine or blood tests to the implied consent statute, to provide procedures for their use, to release persons administering tests from criminal and civil liability unless grossly negligent, to provide for an immediate suspension of driving privileges if a blood alcohol content of ten one-hundredths of one percent or greater is registered, to require persons convicted for driving under alcohol or drug influence and license suspension to enroll in the Alcohol and Drug Safety Program, to further provide requirements for trucks or other vehicles loaded with rock, gravel, or similar substances and to provide exceptions and a penalty, to further provide for the time in which headlights are to be turned on and to provide a penalty, to adopt Safety Standard Number 205 of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration dealing with tinting or glazing windows of motor vehicles, to provide that any child from four through six years of age transported in the front seat be secured by a safety belt and to further provide for child passenger restraint systems; Sections 56-9-70 and 56-9-340, relating to driving while a license or registration or operating privilege is revoked or suspended, so as to increase the penalties; Sections 56-11-740 through 56-11-770, relating to the operation of an uninsured vehicle, sale or disposal of a vehicle to a family member with suspended registration and plates, and false evidence as to the insured status of a vehicle, so as to increase the penalty for these offenses; Sections 58-17-1400, 58-17-1450, and 58-17-1470, relating to signboards at railroad crossings and reports pertaining thereto, so as to require the State Highway Engineer or a designee to make certain that these signboards are in accordance with regulations and to provide a penalty for failing to maintain signboards, to provide for inspection of railroad crossings every five years, require corrective measures, provide a penalty, and require the State Highway Engineer to make an annual report of railroad grade crossings; Section 59-39-310, relating to mandatory driver education and training, so as to require school districts to establish programs to include persons of provisional driving age and to require persons under eighteen to complete driver education prior to receiving a driver's license; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 56 by adding Article 2 so as to provide for a Driver's License Compact; to amend the 1976 Code by adding Sections 56-1-185, 56-1-365, 56-5-2935, 56-5-4455, 56-5-6445, 56-5-6446, and 58-17-3315 so as to provide that a person convicted of a point-accessible traffic offense or involved in an accident in which he was at fault while operating under a special restricted driver's license shall have the removal of restrictions postponed for six months and until he is free of traffic accidents, to provide that any person who is convicted of or pleads to an offense in general sessions court which as part of the punishment to be imposed requires that his driver's license be revoked or suspended shall surrender his license to the clerk of court upon the verdict or plea and the suspension or revocation period immediately begins, to provide for a temporary twenty-four hour driver's certificate under certain conditions, to permit a preliminary screening test to determine whether an arrest should be made for violation of Section 56-5-2930 (DUI), to make it unlawful to operate a moving vehicle in violation of Section 56-5-4450 with only parking lights, to provide that Article 47 of Chapter 5 of Title 56 (child passenger restraint system) applies to motor vehicles equipped with safety belts, to make it unlawful to leave a child unattended while secured in a child restraint system, and to make it unlawful to operate a train at an excessive speed; and to repeal Sections 56-1-1050 through 56-1-1080 relating to judicial proceedings for a habitual offender.

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