

## Session 110 - (1993-1994)

### H 3441 General Bill, By J.T. McElveen, R.S. Corning, Quinn and Scott

#### **Similar (S 0391)**

A Bill to amend Section 56-1-30, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to persons exempt from driver's license requirements, so as to, among other things, provide an exemption for a nonresident who is at least seventeen, rather than sixteen, years of age and for a citizen of Germany who is at least eighteen years of age, is employed in South Carolina, and has a valid driver's license issued in Germany; to amend Section 56-1-40, relating to persons who shall not be licensed for purposes of the driver's license requirements and to beginner's or instruction permits, so as to, among other things, provide that the Department of Highways and Public Transportation may not issue a motor vehicle driver's license to a person under seventeen, rather than sixteen, years of age, except that the Department may issue a beginner's or instruction permit to a person who is at least sixteen, rather than fifteen, years of age and a special restricted driver's license to a person who is at least sixteen, rather than fifteen, years old and less than seventeen, rather than sixteen, years of age as provided in Section 56-1-180; to amend Section 56-1-50, as amended, relating to beginner's permit and driver training course, so as to, among other things, provide that a person who is at least sixteen, rather than fifteen, years of age may apply to the Department of Highways and Public Transportation for a beginner's permit and that, while driving, the permittee must be accompanied by a licensed driver twenty-one, rather than eighteen, years of age or older; to amend Section 56-1-180, as amended, relating to special restricted driver's licenses for certain minors, so as to, among other things, provide that the Department of Highways and Public Transportation may issue a special restricted driver's license to a person who is at least sixteen, rather than fifteen, and less than seventeen, rather than sixteen, years of age; to amend Section 56-5-6540, relating to safety belts, penalties, and enforcement, so as to increase the maximum amounts of certain fines and delete the provisions, including those relating to stopping a driver for a violation of the safety belt provisions in the absence of another violation of the motor vehicle laws and exceptions; and to require the Chief Insurance Commissioner by a certain date to review the experience of automobile insurers issuing policies of private passenger automobile insurance in South Carolina to determine whether any rate decreases are justified as a result of the passage of this Act.

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