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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- OPERATORS' AND CHAUFFEURS'
LICENSES

Introduced By: Senators DiPalma, Ciccone, and Tikoian

Date Introduced: March 06, 2025

Referred To: Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

(Dept. of Revenue)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 31-10-7 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-10 entitled "Operators'
2 and Chauffeurs' Licenses" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **31-10-7. Temporary driver's permit — Persons over the age of eighteen (18).**

4 The division of motor vehicles may in its discretion issue a temporary driver's permit to an
5 applicant for a full operator's license who has attained the age of eighteen (18). A temporary
6 driver's permit shall permit the applicant to operate a motor vehicle while the division of motor
7 vehicles is completing its investigation and determination of all facts relative to the applicant's
8 right to receive a full operator's license. [The temporary driver's permit shall be held for no less than](#)
9 [thirty \(30\) days prior to the applicant being eligible to take a road test.](#) The temporary driver's
10 permit must be in the applicant's immediate possession while operating a motor vehicle, and it shall
11 be invalid when the applicant's license has been issued or for good cause has been refused. [The](#)
12 [temporary driver's permit shall expire, unless sooner cancelled, revoked, or suspended, one year](#)
13 [following the date of issuance, and may only be renewed for one additional year.](#)

14 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would implement a thirty (30) day waiting period following the issuance of a
2 learners permit and the waiting period must expire before the person is permitted to take the road
3 test in order to obtain a full license.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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