

## CHAPTER 274

## DRIVERS' EDUCATION COURSES

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AN ACT providing that no operator's or chauffeur's license shall be issued to a person under eighteen (18) years of age without his first having successfully completed an approved driver education course.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

1 SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point one hundred  
2 seventy-seven (321.177), Code 1962, is hereby amended as follows:

3 1. By striking all of subsection one (1) and inserting in lieu thereof  
4 the following subsection:

5 "1. To any person, as an operator, who is under the age of sixteen  
6 (16) years; provided that, effective August 1, 1966, the department  
7 shall not issue a license to any person, as an operator, who is under the  
8 age of seventeen (17) years and effective August 1, 1967, the depart-  
9 ment shall not issue a license to any person, as an operator, who is  
10 under the age of eighteen (18) years, without his first having success-  
11 fully completed an approved driver education course, in which case,  
12 the minimum age shall be sixteen (16) years. However, the depart-  
13 ment may issue a restricted license as provided in section three hun-  
14 dred twenty-one point one hundred ninety-four (321.194), Code 1962,  
15 or an instruction permit as provided in section three hundred twenty-  
16 one point one hundred eighty (321.180), Code 1962, to any person who  
17 is at least fourteen (14) years of age."

18 2. By striking lines two (2) through six (6) in subsection two (2)  
19 and inserting in lieu thereof the words "under the age of eighteen (18)  
20 years."

1 SEC. 2. Section three hundred twenty-one point one hundred  
2 seventy-eight (321.178), Code 1962, is hereby repealed.

1 SEC. 3. Section three hundred twenty-one point three hundred  
2 seventy-five (321.375), Code 1962, is hereby amended by striking from  
3 lines two (2) and three (3) the words "be at least sixteen years of  
4 age," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "be at least eighteen (18)  
5 years of age, unless such person has successfully completed an ap-  
6 proved driver education course, in which case, the minimum age shall  
7 be sixteen (16) years,".

1 SEC. 4. Section three hundred twenty-one point three hundred  
2 seventy-six (321.376), Code 1962, is hereby amended as follows:

3 1. By inserting in line ten (10) after the word "sixteen", the words  
4 "or seventeen (17)".

5 2. By inserting in line eleven (11) after the word "age" the words  
6 " , if such person has successfully completed an approved driver edu-  
7 cation course,".

1 SEC. 5. Chapter three hundred twenty-one (321), Code 1962, is  
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following:

3 "An approved driver education course as programmed by the de-  
4 partment of public instruction shall consist of at least thirty (30)  
5 clock hours of classroom instruction, and six (6) or more clock hours

6 of laboratory instruction of which at least three (3) clock hours shall  
7 consist of street or highway driving.

8 "Commencing with the September, 1965, school term, the state of  
9 Iowa shall reimburse each public school district in an amount not to  
10 exceed thirty (30) dollars per student for each student completing an  
11 approved driver education course offered or made available by the  
12 school district. Every public school district in Iowa shall offer or make  
13 available to all students residing in the school district an approved  
14 course in driver education. Funds for such reimbursement shall be  
15 appropriated by the legislature to a special driver education fund to be  
16 administered by the department of public instruction. Two (2) per-  
17 cent of the annual amount allocated to the special driver education  
18 fund, shall be available to the department of public instruction for use  
19 in discharging the cost of administration of this Act.

20 "Student, for purposes of this Act shall mean any person between  
21 the ages of fifteen (15) years and twenty-one (21) years who resides  
22 in the public school district and who satisfies the preliminary licensing  
23 requirements of the department of public safety.

24 "Any person who successfully completes an approved driver educa-  
25 tion course at a private or commercial driver education school licensed  
26 by the department of public safety, shall likewise be eligible for an  
27 operator's license at the age of sixteen (16) years, providing the  
28 instructor in charge of the student's training has satisfied the educa-  
29 tional requirements for a teaching certificate at the secondary level  
30 and holds a valid certificate to teach driver education in the public  
31 schools of Iowa."

1 SEC. 6. Section three hundred twenty-one point one hundred eighty  
2 (321.180), Code 1962, as amended by chapter one hundred ninety-five  
3 (195), section one (1), Acts of the Sixtieth General Assembly, is  
4 hereby amended as follows:

5 1. By striking in line fourteen (14) the words "six months" and  
6 inserting in lieu thereof the words "two (2) years from the date of  
7 issuance".

8 2. By striking lines nineteen (19) and twenty (20) and inserting in  
9 lieu thereof the words "less than sixteen (16) years of age shall en-  
10 title".

1 SEC. 7. Section three hundred twenty-one point one hundred  
2 ninety-four (321.194), Code 1962, is hereby amended as follows:

3 1. By striking in line four (4) the word "sixteen" and inserting in  
4 lieu thereof the word "eighteen (18)".

5 2. By striking line seventeen (17) and inserting in lieu thereof the  
6 words "expire on the licensee's eighteenth (18th) birthday or upon  
7 issuance of a temporary driver's permit."

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