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S.B. No. 946

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to certain requirements for obtaining a driver's license  
3 for persons completing certain driver education courses.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 521.165, Transportation Code, is amended  
6 by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

7 (d) This section does not allow the director to waive a  
8 driving test for an applicant who has completed a driver education  
9 course approved by the department under Section 521.205.

10 SECTION 2. Section 521.205(d), Transportation Code, is  
11 amended to read as follows:

12 (d) Except as otherwise provided by this chapter,  
13 completion [Completion] of a driver education course approved under  
14 this section has the same effect under this chapter as completion of  
15 a driver education course approved by the Texas Education Agency.

16 SECTION 3. Section 521.421, Transportation Code, is amended  
17 by adding Subsections (i) and (j) to read as follows:

18 (i) In addition to the fee in Subsection (c), an applicant  
19 applying for original issuance of a provisional license who has  
20 completed a driver education course under Section 521.205 must pay  
21 a \$5 examination fee for the examination required by Section  
22 521.161(b)(2).

23 (j) The fee collected under Subsection (i) must be deposited  
24 to the credit of a special account in the general revenue fund and

1 may be used only by the department for the administration of this  
2 chapter.

3 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003, and  
4 applies only to an application for a driver's license submitted on  
5 or after that date.