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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the administration of an examination and issuance of a temporary receipt for a driver's license by an entity other than the Department of Public Safety.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 521.165, Transportation Code, is amended by amending Subsection (e) and adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(e)  The department may authorize and set standards for an entity described by Subsection (a), including a driver education school described by Section 521.1655, to administer, and train and certify examiners to administer, the examination required by Section 521.161(b)(2).

(f)  An entity described by Subsection (a) may not issue a temporary receipt under Section 521.1812 to a person who has not completed and passed the training and testing conducted by the entity under this section.

SECTION 2.  Subchapter I, Chapter 521, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 521.1812 to read as follows:

Sec. 521.1812.  ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY RECEIPT BY THIRD PARTY. (a) The department may authorize an entity described by Section 521.165, including a driver education school described by Section 521.1655, to issue a temporary receipt to a qualifying applicant who has met all requirements for a driver's license if the qualifying applicant holds a learner license issued by the department under Section 521.222.

(b)  A temporary receipt issued under Subsection (a) serves as temporary permission to operate a vehicle until the department provides a driver's license to the qualifying applicant.

(c)  The department shall develop a process for an entity under Subsection (a) to electronically transmit to the department the documents and information required by the department for the issuance of a driver's license to a qualifying applicant.

(d)  The department shall adopt rules to implement this section.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.