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H.B. No. 962

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the hours of instruction required for driver training.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1001.101(b), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A driver education course must require the student to complete:

(1) 7 hours of behind-the-wheel instruction in the presence of a person who holds a driver education instructor license or who meets the requirements for a driver education course conducted by a parent or other individual under Section 1001.112;

(2) 7 hours of observation instruction in the presence of a person who holds a driver education instructor license or who meets the requirements for a driver education course conducted by a parent or other individual under Section 1001.112; and

(3) 50 [~~30~~] hours of behind-the-wheel instruction, including at least 10 hours of instruction that takes place at night, in the presence of an adult who meets the requirements of Section 521.222(d)(2), Transportation Code.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to a driver education course that begins on or after the effective date of this Act. A driver education course that begins before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the course began, and the former law is continued in effect for

1 that purpose.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.