

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

1 State of Arkansas  
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# A Bill

ACT 478 OF 1997  
SENATE BILL 120

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5 By: Senator Walker  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED §§ 27-16-802 AND  
10 27-16-804 TO CLARIFY INCONSISTENCIES IN LAWS REQUIRING  
11 PERSONS ISSUED A RESTRICTED DRIVER'S LICENSE OR AN  
12 INSTRUCTION PERMIT TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY A LICENSED DRIVER;  
13 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

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15 "TO CLARIFY INCONSISTENCIES IN LAWS  
16 REQUIRING PERSONS ISSUED A RESTRICTED  
17 DRIVER'S LICENSE OR AN INSTRUCTION  
18 PERMIT TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY A LICENSED  
19 DRIVER."  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 27-16-802(a) is amended to read as  
25 follows:

26 "(a)(1) Any person who is at least fourteen (14) years of age may apply  
27 to the office for an instruction permit.

28 (2) The office may, in its discretion, after the applicant has  
29 successfully passed all parts of the examination other than the driving test,  
30 issue to the applicant an instruction permit which shall entitle the applicant  
31 while having the permit in his immediate possession to drive a motor vehicle  
32 upon the public highways for a period of sixty (60) days when accompanied by a  
33 licensed driver, eighteen (18) years of age or older, who has had at least one  
34 (1) year of driving experience and who is occupying a seat beside the driver,  
35 except in the event the permittee is operating a motorcycle.

36 (3) Any such instruction permit may be renewed or a new permit

1 issued for an additional period of ninety (90) days."

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3 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Annotated § 27-16-804(b) is amended to read as  
4 follows:

5 "(b)(1) The office may either issue a special restricted license or may  
6 set forth such restrictions upon the usual license form.

7 (2) All licensees under the age of sixteen (16) years shall be  
8 restricted to operation of a motor vehicle, motorcycles and motor-driven  
9 cycles excepted, only while accompanied by a licensed driver ~~who is twenty-one~~  
10 (21), eighteen (18) years of age or older, who has had at least one (1) year  
11 of driving experience, unless otherwise determined by the office."

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13 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
14 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
15 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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17 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
18 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
19 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
20 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
21 act are declared to be severable.

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23 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
24 hereby repealed.

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26 APPROVED:3-13-97

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