1 State of Arkansas A Bill 2 83rd General Assembly HOUSE BILL 2645 3 Regular Session, 2001 4 5 By: Representative Moore 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 9 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 27-16-802 CONCERNING INSTRUCTION PERMITS FOR DRIVER'S 10 11 LICENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. 12 **Subtitle** 13 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW ON 14 15 INSTRUCTION PERMITS FOR DRIVER'S 16 LI CENSES. 17 18 19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 20 21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 27-16-802 is amended to read as follows: 27-16-802. Instruction permits. 22 (a)(1) Any person who is at least fourteen (14) fifteen (15) years of 23 age may apply to the Office of Driver Services for an instruction permit. 24 25 (2) After the applicant has successfully passed all parts of the 26 examination other than the driving test, the office may, in its discretion, issue to the applicant an instruction permit which shall entitle the 27 applicant while having the permit in his immediate possession to drive a 28 29 motor vehicle upon the public highways for a period of six (6) months when accompanied by a licensed driver eighteen (18) years of age or older who has 30 31 had at least one (1) year of driving experience and who is occupying a seat 32 beside the driver except in the event that the permittee is operating a 33 motorcycle. (3) Any instruction permit may be renewed or a new permit issued 34 35 for an additional period of six (6) months. 36 (b)(1) The office, upon receiving proper application may, in its

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discretion, issue a restricted instruction permit effective for a school year or a more restricted permit to an applicant who is enrolled in a driver education program which includes practice driving and which is approved by the office even though the applicant has not reached the legal age to be eligible for a noncommercial license.

(2) The instruction permit shall entitle the permittee when he has the permit in his immediate possession to operate a motor vehicle only on a designated highway or within a designated area but only when an approved instructor is occupying a seat beside the permittee.