

SB

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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT First Committee of Referral

DATE: 4/16/11

FURTHER: Finance

Date of 5-Day Notice: _____
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED IN TO OFFICE: 3-27-12

State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 132

SB 132-PROVISIONAL DRIVER'S LICENSE STICKER

"An Act relating to requirements for persons holding provisional drivers' licenses; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

- be replaced with CS SB 132 (STA) Same Title New Title
- adopt previous CS _____ (_____) Same Title New Title
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt _____ Letter of Intent
- further referral to _____ Committee

Dept Abbr.	
ADM	LEG
CED	LAW
COR	LWF
CRT	MVA
EED	DNR
DEC	DPS
DFG	REV
GOV	DOT
DHS	UA

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S)				
Dept.	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN #
Adm			✓	

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S)				
Dept.	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN #

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	PRINTED LAST NAME	Do PASS	Do NOT PASS	No REC	AMEND
<i>Albert Kookuh</i>	Kookuh		✓		
<i>Joe Parker</i>	Parkman			X	
<i>[Signature]</i>	Wielechowski			X	
<i>K. Meyer</i>	Meyer	X			
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SENATOR KEVIN MEYER MAJORITY LEADER

TO: Senator Bill Wielechowski, Chair
Senate State Affairs Committee

FROM: Senator Kevin Meyer 

DATE: March 15, 2012

RE: Request for Hearing on SB 132, "Provisional Driver's License Sticker"

I respectfully request the Senate State Affairs Committee to schedule hearing SB 132, "An Act relating to requirements for persons holding provisional drivers' licenses; and providing for an effective date."

The following documents are attached and will be sent electronically:

- SB 132 – 27-LS0799|B
- Sponsor Statement
- Fiscal Note
- A list of people to testify on SB 132 will provided when scheduled

SB 132 would add a new subsection to AS 28.15.055 (Alaska's Provisional License Law) establishing a provisional license sticker and the responsibility of the driver to display it in the car they are operating.

Please contact Bob Pawlowski in my office if you have any questions regarding this legislation.

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SPONSOR STATEMENT FOR SB 132

"An Act relating to requirements for persons holding provisional drivers' licenses; and providing for an effective date."

SB 132 provides for a "*provisional driver's license sticker*" for those drivers between 16 and 18 years of age who are driving under the Alaska Graduated License Program. This bill will identify those young drivers who have completed their initial "*instruction permit*" and have obtained a "*provisional driver's license*". Upon obtaining their provisional license, they would obtain a sticker that shows that the vehicle is being driven by a driver with a new license.

If enacted, SB 132 would add a new subsection to AS 28.15.055 (Alaska's Provisional License Law) establishing a provisional license sticker and the responsibility of the driver to display it in the car they are operating. SB 132 would continue the responsibilities of the driver and the other responsible parties established in the 2005 Provisional Driver's License Law.

Alaska has very challenging driving conditions. This includes winter cold weather and darkness, extended daylight hours with crowded summer roads and numerous distractions in driving. Every year, teen drivers account for about 20 percent of the fatalities and major injuries that occur on Alaska's roads. Experience is important in keeping people safe on Alaska's roads year round and was a reason behind the Alaska Graduated License Program. By adding a "*provisional sticker*" to the car, other drivers can respect the level of experience the new driver has and drive appropriately.

Finally the bill provides guidance to the Department of Motor Vehicles and Department of Public Safety on issuing and enforcing the "*provisional driver's sticker*".

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2012 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Bill Version SB132
 Fiscal Note Number _____
 () Publish Date _____

Identifier (file name) SB132-DOA-DMV-3-16-12 Dept. Affected Administration
 Title Provisional Driver License Stickers Appropriation Motor Vehicles
 Allocation Motor Vehicles
 Sponsor Senator Meyer by Request
 Requester Senate State Affairs OMB Component Number 2348

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

	FY13 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY13 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Services								
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants, Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

FUND SOURCE		(Thousands of Dollars)						
1002	Federal Receipts							
1003	GF Match							
1004	GF							
1005	GF/Prgm (DGF)							
1037	GF/MH (UGF)							
1178	temp code (UGF)							
TOTAL		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS								
Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

CHANGE IN REVENUES								

Estimated **SUPPLEMENTAL (FY12) operating costs** _____ (separate supplemental appropriation required)
 (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated **CAPITAL (FY13) costs** _____ (separate capital appropriation required)
 (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version (if initial version, please note as such)

Not applicable; initial version

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 Approved by John Cramer, Deputy Commissioner
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Phone 907-269-5559
 Date/Time 3/16/12 2:00 PM
 Date 3/16/2012

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2012 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SB132

Analysis

The effective date of this bill is January 1, 2013.

This bill would require provisional drivers to adhere a sticker to the vehicle that they are operating that designates them as a provisional driver license holder. It would also make it an infraction with a fine of not more than \$300 for failure to display the sticker.

This bill will have a minor fiscal impact on the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV). DMV will absorb the costs in its operating budget.

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3/26/12

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 132()
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY

Offered:
Referred:

Sponsor(s): SENATOR MEYER BY REQUEST

A BILL
FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to requirements for persons holding provisional drivers' licenses; and**
2 **providing for an effective date."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 *** Section 1.** AS 28.15.055 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (b) A person holding a provisional driver's license shall display in the rear
6 window of each vehicle operated by the person a moveable sticker issued by the
7 department that identifies that the vehicle is operated by a provisional licensee. The
8 department may charge a fee for the issuance of a sticker. Failure to display a sticker
9 as required by this subsection is an infraction and may be punished by a fine of not
10 more than \$200. However, a person charged with violating this section may not be
11 convicted if the person

12 (1) has not previously been arrested, charged, or cited for a violation of
13 this section; and

14 (2) produces in court proof that the person has obtained and displayed

1 the sticker required by this subsection.

2 * **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect January 1, 2013.

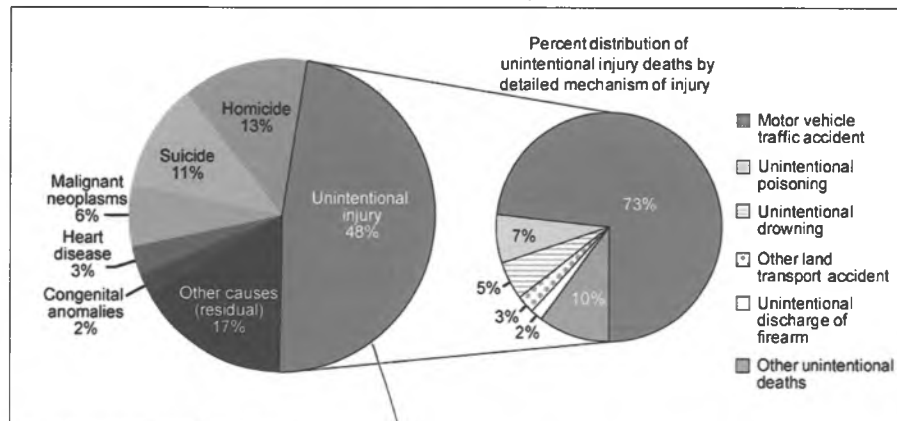
Novice Driver Safety



Safer Alaskan Roads for Alaskan
Drivers

Cause of death among teenagers between 1999-2006

Figure 2. Percent distribution of all deaths to teenagers 12-19 years, by cause of death: United States, 1999-2006



SOURCE: National Vital Statistics System, Mortality.

73%
from traffic accidents

Alaska Statistics for Drivers 14-16 2004-2008

Motor Vehicle Traffic Crashes Involving Drivers age 14-16, 2004-2008

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Crashes	692	592	477	441	437
Property Damage Only	428	377	307	270	288
Minor Injury Crashes	222	191	146	137	127
Major Injury Crashes	37	22	19	28	15
Fatal Crashes	5	2	5	6	7
Non-Fatal Injuries	398	321	256	264	223
Minor Injuries	348	296	228	230	201
Major Injuries	50	25	28	34	22
Fatal Injuries	5	2	5	7	8
Occupants Not Injured	1830	1361	1195	987	1070

Source: State of Alaska, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, Highway Analysis System (HAS)

Alaska Statistics for drivers ages 16-17 between 2002-2011

The Total Drivers in Fatal Crashes by Age, Alaska 2002-2011

- Fourteen 16 year olds were involved in fatal crashes in Alaska between 2002-2011
- This is 1.3% of the total amount of drivers in fatal crashes
- Eighteen 17 year olds were involved in fatal crashes in Alaska between 2002-2011
- This is 1.7% of the total amount of drivers in fatal crashes

The total Drivers License in Alaska by Age between 2002-2011

- 61,254 sixteen year olds were licensed, this is 1.2% of the total
- 74,882 seventeen year olds were licensed, this is 1.5% of the total

Provisional Licensed Drivers

- Provisional Licensed Drivers are hazardous due to:
 - Apprehension
 - Lack of experience
 - Weather conditions
 - No drivers education requirement
 - Alaska's diversity from other states

Solution

- A person holding a provisional driver's license shall display in the rear window of each vehicle operated by the person a sticker issued by the department that identifies that the vehicle is operated by a provisional licensee..





Why This Solution?

- This is a simple solution to benefit Alaskan drivers.
- It will impress other driver's to be more cautious driving around the novice teen driver
- It will provide other drivers the information necessary to understand the Provisional Licensee's position
- This will assist law enforcement officers in implementing the law

Enforcement

- Failure to display a sticker as required by this subsection is an infraction and may be punished by a fine of not more than \$300.



Procedures

- The state of Alaska will supply the Department of Motor Vehicles with stickers to distribute to those persons acquiring a Provisional License
- Those acquiring a Provisional License will pay for the sticker as part of the permitting process.
- Sticker will be placed on the rear window of the operating vehicle

Summary

- Teen drivers with Provisional License are statistically more hazardous to themselves and other Alaskans
- Require Provisional drivers to identify their status
- Reduce the number of accidents and infractions in Alaska, and help save Alaskan lives



young drivers
- 9.0% of ~~the~~ in accidents?
- Any state that reduces accidents?
- \$300 - lot for teens
- Motorcycles? Smart machines?
- Young drivers? New drivers?

* Are new drivers more dangerous?