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DRIVER TRAINING

House Bill 4826

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4826 AS INTRODUCED 6-3-93

Currently, under the Michigan Vehicle Code (Public Act 300 of 1949), "driver education courses" include classroom instruction, behind the wheel instruction, and observation in an automobile under the supervision of a qualified teacher or licensed instructor. The Department of Education cannot require that licensed driver training school teachers or instructors be certified under the School Code (Public Act 451 of 1976).

The bill would amend the Vehicle Code to include under "driver education courses" a presentation by a representative of a victim advocacy group, and would add continuing education requirements for qualified teachers and licensed instructors of driver education. More specifically, the bill would require, every two years after initial certification to teach driver education, that qualified teachers and licensed instructors of driver education take and pay for a continuing education course, approved by the Department of Education, that included a presentation by a representative of a victim advocacy group and a highway safety class. The department would be required to revoke its approval of a teacher or instructor who failed to meet the continuing education requirements.

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