Dear Senators PATRICK, Martin, Schmidt, and Representatives BARBIERI, Clow, Smith:

The Legislative Services Office, Research and Legislation, has received the enclosed rules of the Bureau of Occupational Licenses - Idaho Driving Businesses Licensure Board:

IDAPA 24.25.01 - Rules of the Idaho Driving Businesses Licensure Board - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 24-2501-1601).

Pursuant to Section 67-454, Idaho Code, a meeting on the enclosed rules may be called by the cochairmen or by two (2) or more members of the subcommittee giving oral or written notice to Research and Legislation no later than fourteen (14) days after receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to call a meeting on the enclosed rules is no later than 10/24/2016. If a meeting is called, the subcommittee must hold the meeting within forty-two (42) days of receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to hold a meeting on the enclosed rules is 11/22/2016.

The germane joint subcommittee may request a statement of economic impact with respect to a proposed rule by notifying Research and Legislation. There is no time limit on requesting this statement, and it may be requested whether or not a meeting on the proposed rule is called or after a meeting has been held.

To notify Research and Legislation, call 334-4834, or send a written request to the address on the memorandum attached below.



# Legislative Services Office Idaho State Legislature

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# MEMORANDUM

- **TO:** Rules Review Subcommittee of the Senate Commerce & Human Resources Committee and the House Business Committee
- FROM: Principal Legislative Research Analyst Ryan Bush
- DATE: October 4, 2016

SUBJECT: Bureau of Occupational Licenses - Idaho Driving Businesses Licensure Board

IDAPA 24.25.01 - Rules of the Idaho Driving Businesses Licensure Board - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 24-2501-1601)

The Idaho Driving Businesses Licensure Board submits notice of proposed rulemaking at IDAPA 24.25.01 - Rules of the Idaho Driving Businesses Licensure Board. The proposed rule revises the requirements for the list of licensed instructors that a driving business must keep and submit, provides that a business may utilize a third party for on-line instruction with certain conditions, provides a timeframe for sending student performance information to the DMV and revises the requirements for the medical examaniation required of a driving instructor.

The Board states that negotiated rulemaking was not conducted because the changes were discussed in noticed, open meetings of the Board. There is no fiscal impact associated with this rulemaking.

The proposed rule appears to be within the statutory authority granted to the Board in Section 54-5403, Idaho Code.

cc: Bureau of Occupational Licenses - Idaho Driving Businesses Licensure Board Tana Cory

Cathy Holland-Smith, Manager Budget & Policy Analysis April Renfro, Manager Legislative Audits Glenn Harris, Manager Information Technology

# IDAPA 24 - BUREAU OF OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES 24.25.01 - RULES OF THE IDAHO DRIVING BUSINESSES LICENSURE BOARD DOCKET NO. 24-2501-1601

# NOTICE OF RULEMAKING - PROPOSED RULE

**AUTHORITY:** In compliance with Section 67-5221(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. The action is authorized pursuant to Section 54-5403.

**PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE:** Public hearing(s) concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled if requested in writing by twenty-five (25) persons, a political subdivision, or an agency, not later than October 19, 2016.

The hearing site(s) will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the agency address below.

**DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY:** The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

The Board of Driving Businesses is amending its rules to clarify that the list of current instructors must be submitted for original and reinstatement applications. The list must be kept current and made available upon request of the Board. It also clarifies that while a Driving Business is allowed to use a third party provider for on-line classroom instruction, the licensee is responsible for ensuring that the content meets the requirements approved by the Board. The rule outlines when the business licensee will send performance information to the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and it updates language as to who may provide a medical examination and what document must to be submitted to the Board to verify it.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking: N/A

**NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING:** Pursuant to Section 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, negotiated rulemaking was not conducted because the proposed changes to these rules were discussed during noticed, open meetings of the Board.

**INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE:** Pursuant to Section 67-5229(2)(a), Idaho Code, the following is a brief synopsis of why the materials cited are being incorporated by reference into this rule: N/A

**ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS:** For assistance on technical questions concerning the proposed rule, contact Mitchell Toryanski at (208) 334-3233. Anyone may submit written comments regarding this proposed rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before October 26, 2016.

DATED this 2nd day of September, 2016.

Tana Cory, Bureau Chief Bureau of Occupational Licenses 700 W State St. P O Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0063 Phone: (208) 334-3233 Fax: (208) 334-3945

#### THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROPOSED TEXT OF DOCKET NO. 24-2501-1601 (Only Those Sections With Amendments Are Shown.)

#### 225. DRIVING BUSINESS LICENSE (RULE 225).

A driving business license enables a licensee to operate a driver education business at one (1), principal classroom location as designated in the application. The licensee may also utilize secondary locations for classroom instruction, so long as the business does not conduct driver education at any given secondary location for more than sixty (60) days in a one-year period. A driving business license is not transferable. The business licensee must conspicuously display the license at the business's principal classroom location. Each applicant must apply as required by Rule 150. (4-7-11)

**01. Applicant Identity**. The applicant must provide such identifying information as may be requested by the Board including, without limitation, the following: (4-7-11)

**a.** The applicant's legal name (i.e., the name of the natural person or business entity to be issued the license) and assumed business name(s), if any. (4-7-11)

**b.** The applicant's social security number, if the applicant has no employees and is a natural person (including a sole proprietor acting under an assumed business name). If the applicant has employees or is not a natural person (e.g., is a general or limited partnership, corporation, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company), then the applicant must provide its employer identification number. (4-7-11)

**c.** The names and addresses of the applicant's officers and shareholders having a twenty-five percent (25%) or greater ownership interest (if a corporation), members and managers (if a limited liability company), and partners (if a partnership). (4-7-11)

**d.** The applicant's contact information, including its mailing address, physical address, and telephone (4-7-11)

**02. Criminal History Background Check**. The applicant, if a natural person, and all persons listed under Paragraph 225.01.c. and Subsection 225.05 of these rules, must submit to a current, fingerprint-based criminal history check conducted by an organization approved by the Board. Each applicant must ensure that such persons submit a full set of their fingerprints, and any relevant fees, to the Bureau which will forward the fingerprints and fees to the organization that conducts the fingerprint based criminal history background check. The application will not be processed until the Bureau has received the completed fingerprint-based criminal history background checks.

(3-20-14)

**03.** Classroom Locations and Certificates of Occupancy. Each applicant must list all principal and secondary classroom locations to be utilized by the business. The applicant must provide a certificate of occupancy issued to the building/room by the local fire marshal or the fire marshal's designated agent, for each classroom location other than a location in a public or private school building, government building, church, or synagogue.

(4-7-11)

04. Certificate of Vehicle Insurance. The certificate of vehicle insurance for each vehicle utilized by the driving business for driver education must accompany the application. The minimum coverage will include:

(4-7-11)

**a.** Medical Payment for each person - five thousand dollars (\$5,000); and either (4-7-11)

**b.** Limit of liability (Combined single limit) - five hundred thousand (\$500,000) to apply to bodily injury and/or property damage; or (4-7-11)

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c. Limit of liability (Split limit). Bodily injury - two hundred-fifty thousand (\$250,000) per person/ five hundred thousand (\$500,000) each accident; Property damage - two hundred-fifty thousand (\$250,000) each accident. (4-7-11)

**05.** List of Licensed Instructors. Before beginning to offer driver education, and at all times while offering driver education, a driving business must employ or have contracted with one (1) or more licensed driving instructors to teach the classroom instruction phase and behind-the-wheel training phase of the driver education to be provided by the business. *The* <u>A</u> driving business must submit to the Bureau a current list of such licensed instructors with *the* applications for original licensure and reinstatement, *and* <u>A</u> driving business must keep such list current *after licensure* and available for inspection upon request by the board or its authorized agent. The list must be kept at its primary place of business and retained for five (5) years. (4.7.11)(\_\_\_\_\_)

**06.** Vehicles. An applicant for a driving business license must submit to the Bureau a list of the vehicles that the business will utilize when offering driver education. A business licensee may not utilize vehicles that do not appear on the list. Each vehicle must have dual control brake pedals, safety restraints for all passengers, a side view mirror on each side of the vehicle, and an additional rear view mirror or compatible viewing device for the exclusive use of the instructor. A driving business must ensure that students are not allowed in a listed vehicle unless the vehicle is in a safe and proper operating condition. (4-7-11)

**a.** Initial Inspection. An applicant may not include a vehicle on a business's vehicle list unless the vehicle has passed a vehicle inspection performed by an ASE mechanic or vehicle technician within the two (2) month period preceding the application. The inspection must be documented on the Board-approved inspection form included at Appendix A to these rules, or on such other similar forms as may be approved by the Board. The person who inspected the vehicle must sign the form, certifying that the vehicle generally is in a safe and proper operating condition, and that each inspected item passed inspection or, if found to be in need of repair, was repaired on a given date. The application must be accompanied by a separate, signed form for each listed vehicle. (4-7-11)

**b.** Annual Inspection. A business licensee must ensure that each vehicle passes an inspection every twelve (12) months, and that the inspection is performed by an ASE mechanic or vehicle technician documented on the Board-approved form referenced in Paragraph 225.06.a. of these rules. If a vehicle fails an annual inspection, the business licensee must withdraw the vehicle from service. The business licensee may not use the vehicle for behind-the-wheel training until the vehicle passes a subsequent inspection and the business licensee has submitted to the Bureau the inspection form evidencing that the vehicle has passed. (4-7-11)

**c.** Incident Inspection. If a vehicle incident occurs that requires an investigation and report by law enforcement, or in which the damage exceeds one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500), the business licensee must withdraw the vehicle from service. The business licensee may not use the vehicle for behind-the-wheel training until the vehicle passes inspection by an ASE mechanic or vehicle technician and the business licensee has submitted to the Bureau the inspection form evidencing that the vehicle has passed. (4-7-11)

**d.** Signage. The business licensee must ensure that the outside of each vehicle is equipped with safely secured signs. Signs must include "Student Driver," "Driver Education," "Driver Training," "Driving School," or similar language that clearly designates the vehicle as a driver training vehicle. (4-7-11)

07. Course of Instruction. Each applicant, for an original business license, must provide with its application the course of instruction the applicant will use when instructing students. The applicant must demonstrate, to the Board's satisfaction, that the course of instruction is designed to produce safe and effective drivers and is educationally sound. The course of instruction must be based on the minimum curriculum components outlined in Rule 226, and shall consist of: (4-7-11)

- **a.** Not less than thirty (30) hours of classroom instruction; and (4-7-11)
- **b.** Not less than six (6) hours of behind-the-wheel practice driving; and (4-7-11)

**c.** Not less than six (6) hours of student, in-vehicle observation of other persons (e.g., parents, other student drivers, etc.) driving the vehicle. (4-7-11)

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**08. On-line Instruction**. In addition to, or in lieu of offering classroom instruction at a physical classroom location, a business licensee may offer classroom instruction to students via the internet.  $\frac{if}{if}$  While a business licensee may utilize a third party to offer on-line classroom instruction, the business licensee is responsible for ensuring that the instruction content meets the requirements of these rules and is approved by the Board. (4-7-11)((1))

**09. Instructor Apprenticeship Training Program**. A driving business may offer a Board-approved instructor apprenticeship training program under the conditions specified in Rule 275. (4-7-11)

# (BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)

### 227. DRIVING BUSINESS - COURSE OF INSTRUCTION (RULE 227).

**01. Student Permit Required**. No enrollee of any class D driver's training course will be allowed to attend classes or participate in driving instruction unless he has obtained a class D driver's training instruction permit, or a class D instruction permit, as provided in Section 49-307(4), Idaho Code. (4-7-11)

**02. In-Car Documentation**. A business licensee must ensure that each listed vehicle contains documentation that identifies each student and the student's permit number. Permits will be given to the students following the completion of the course and used during the required graduate licensing process. (4-7-11)

**03.** Maximum Daily Driving and Observation Time. Neither a business licensee nor an instructor licensee may permit an enrolled student to receive more than two (2) hours of behind-the-wheel driving time per day. Maximum observation time is two (2) hours per student, per day, and may be completed with a parent or legal guardian. (4-7-11)

**04. Maximum Number of Students In Vehicle**. Neither a business licensee nor an instructor licensee may permit more than three (3) students in a vehicle at one (1) time. (4-7-11)

**05. Grading Criteria**. A business licensee may not permit a student to graduate from the business's driver education program unless the student has achieved an eighty percent (80%) or higher in each of the three (3) course areas described in Subsection 225.07. The business licensee must utilize written grading criteria for each of the minimum components in Rule 226. Criteria may include student attitude and such other criteria as the driving business may deem appropriate. The business licensee must maintain records of the student's grades. (4-7-11)

06. Driving Log. Each driving instructor must complete a log for each student's behind-the-wheel driving and each driving business licensee must ensure that its driving instructors complete the log. The log must include, for each student, at least the student's name, birthdate, phone number, driving permit number, class date, instructor's name, lesson objective, total instruction time, total observation time, final grade, and date the student passed. (4-7-11)

07. Reporting A business licensee will send student performance information as prescribed by the Idaho Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to the DMV no later than five (5) p.m. on the third business day following completion of the course.

**078. Parental Involvement**. Each business licensee should encourage parental involvement in the education of the student. (4-7-11)

**0%2.** Record Retention. The business licensee must maintain all logs and other records required under Rule 227 for at least three (3) years from date on which the student completes, or is no longer enrolled in, the business's driver education course. The business licensee may not release these records without written consent from the student and the student's parent or legal guardian. The Board and its agents, however, may inspect these records at any time. (4-7-11)

## (BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)

#### 250. DRIVING INSTRUCTOR LICENSE (RULE 250).

**01. Application**. Each applicant for a driving instructor license must apply as required by Rule 150. Each applicant is required to provide his name, date of birth, and contact information, including mailing address and telephone number, on the Board-approved application form. (4-7-11)

**02.** Age. An applicant for a driving instructor license must be at least twenty-one (21) years old.

(4-7-11)

03. Driving Record and Drivers License. Each applicant must submit a copy of a valid driver's license in good standing and a copy of a satisfactory driving record. An unsatisfactory record includes, but is not limited to, two (2) moving violations in the past twelve (12) months, or suspension or revocation of a driver's license in the last thirty-six (36) months, or a conviction involving alcohol or controlled substances within the last thirty-six (36) months. (4-7-11)

04. Criminal History Background Check. Each applicant must submit to a current, fingerprint-based criminal history check conducted by an organization approved by the Board. Each applicant must submit a full set of the applicant's fingerprints, and any relevant fees, to the Bureau which will forward the fingerprints and fees to the organization that conducts the fingerprint based criminal history background check. The application will not be processed until the completed fingerprint-based criminal history background check has been received. (3-20-14)

05. Medical Certificate. A driving instructor licensee may not provide in-vehicle instruction to students if the instructor suffers from a medical condition that may impair the instructor's ability to safely instruct student drivers. Accordingly, each applicant for an instructor's license must obtain a medical examination *conducted in accordance with the Federal Motor Carriers Safety Regulations (49 CFR 391.41-391.49)* performed by a licensed medical professional. The examination must be completed within two (2) years preceding the application. The applicant must submit a medical *affidavit or* examiner's certificate, issued and signed by a licensed, qualified medical professional documenting that the examination occurred and that the applicant does not suffer from any physical or mental condition or disease that would impair the applicant's ability to safely instruct student drivers. If a medical condition exists, the applicant must re-certify as the medical professional requires and submit that information to the Board.

**06.** Education. Each applicant must submit written evidence, satisfactory to the Board, of having graduated from a high school or a regionally or nationally accredited college or university, or of having obtained a GED. (4-7-11)

07. Instructor Apprenticeship Training Program. Applicants for licensure must demonstrate to the Board's satisfaction that they have successfully completed all required classroom instruction and behind-the-wheel training hours from a Board-approved instructor apprenticeship training program or have met the requirements for a waiver of the apprenticeship training program as set forth in these rules. The applicant must have undertaken and completed the apprenticeship training program within the five (5) year period immediately preceding the application. (4-11-15)

a. Proof of successful completion must include written certificate from a Board-approved apprenticeship training program certifying that the applicant has satisfactorily completed the program. An applicant need not have completed all required classroom instruction and behind-the-wheel training hours through a single program so long as the last program attended by the applicant ensures itself, and its business licensee certifies to the Board that the applicant has satisfactorily completed all required hours through Board-approved apprenticeship training programs. (4-7-11)

**b.** A person may not enroll in an apprenticeship training program unless the person has applied for, paid for, and obtained an apprenticeship permit from the Board. The applicant must apply on Board-approved forms, which must identify the applicant and the business licensee in whose approved apprenticeship training program the applicant will be enrolled. The individual applicant must establish that they are at least twenty-one (21) years old, hold a valid driver's license and a satisfactory driver license record, have passed a fingerprint based criminal history

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background check, and have obtained a medical certificate consistent with the requirements of Subsections 250.02 through 250.05. An apprenticeship permit automatically expires one (1) year after issuance. The Board also may suspend or revoke an apprenticeship permit, and refuse to issue another permit, if the permittee engages in any act or omission that would subject the permittee to discipline if the permittee had an instructor's license. No one may be a permittee for more than three (3) years. (3-20-14)

**08.** Waiver of Instructor Apprenticeship Training Program. An applicant shall be entitled to a waiver of the apprenticeship training program if they possess the requisite training and experience as set forth below. (4-11-15)

**a.** An applicant who holds a current active unrestricted equivalent driving instructor license from another state shall qualify for a waiver of the apprenticeship training program requirement. The applicant is responsible to provide proof to the Board that they hold a current unrestricted driving instructor license from another state, and that said license is equivalent to an Idaho driver instructor license in its qualifications and scope of practice; or (4-11-15)

**b.** An applicant who has held an active and unrestricted public driver education instructor license issued by the Idaho State Department of Education for at least two (2) years shall qualify for a waiver of the apprenticeship training program requirement. The applicant is responsible to provide proof to the Board that they hold a current unrestricted Idaho public driver instructor license. (4-11-15)