

**Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2017**

SENATE BILL NO. 2126  
(Transportation Committee)  
(At the request of the Department of Transportation)

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections 39-06-08 and 39-06-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a minor's application for an operator's license and liability for the negligence of a minor.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-06-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**39-06-08. Application of minors.**

The application of any minor for an operator's license must be signed and verified before an individual authorized to administer oaths or the director, by the father, mother, or legal guardian, or if there is not a parent or legal guardian, then by another responsible adult who is willing to assume the obligation imposed under this chapter upon an individual signing the application of a minor. If the father, mother, or legal guardian is unable to appear, a father, mother, or legal guardian may designate, through a notarized document, an individual temporarily authorized to sign the application.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-06-09 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**39-06-09. Liability for negligence of minor - General.**

Any negligence of a minor when driving a motor vehicle upon a highway must be imputed to the individual who has signed the application of the minor for an operator's license, or upon the father, mother, or legal guardian if signing authority has been temporarily transferred under section 39-06-08. This individual is jointly and severally liable with the minor for any damages caused by the negligence, except as provided in section 39-06-10.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2126.

Senate Vote:    Yeas 45            Nays 0            Absent 2

House Vote:    Yeas 90            Nays 0            Absent 4

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Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017,

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State