A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING THE AGE REQUIREMENT TO DRIVE A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov/.)

Transportation Legislation Review Committee. The bill authorizes the department of revenue to adopt rules authorizing a person who is at least 18 years of age but under 21 years of age to be licensed to drive a commercial vehicle in interstate commerce if the person holds a commercial driver's license and operation of a commercial vehicle in interstate commerce by a person in that age range is permitted under
Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-2-404, amend (4) as follows:

42-2-404. License for drivers - limitations - rules. (4) (a) The provisions of This part 4 shall DOES not apply to any person who is at least eighteen years of age but less than twenty-one years of age and who operates a commercial motor vehicle upon the highways of this state solely in intrastate operations. Pursuant to the provisions of In ACCORDANCE WITH section 42-2-101 (4), no such a person of such THIS age shall NOT operate any commercial motor vehicle upon the highways of this state unless such THE person has been issued and is in immediate possession of a minor driver's license of the correct type of OR general class for the type or general class of motor vehicle which THAT is issued.

(b) THE DEPARTMENT MAY PROMULGATE RULES AUTHORIZING A PERSON WHO IS AT LEAST EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE BUT LESS THAN TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE TO BE LICENSED TO DRIVE A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE IF THE PERSON:

(I) HOLDS A COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE; AND

(II) IS AUTHORIZED BY FEDERAL LAW TO DRIVE A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3, 2019); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.