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An act to lower the age of acquiring a permit in Kentucky.

Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: Currently in 40 states in America, a person can acquire a permit at less than 16 year of age.

Section 2: In Kentucky, this is not the case. To acquire a permit a person must be 16 years of age must successfully pass a written knowledge and vision test.

Section 3: This bill will lower the age of acquiring a permit in Kentucky to 15 years of age. At age 15 years of age. At age 15 a person may obtain their permit by taking the written knowledge and vision test and enrolling in a six month drivers education course. After full completion of the drivers education course, a person will drive with their permit for the remaining six months of the year. After driving with a permit for the full year, a person can then get their intermediate followed by their full license as stated in the current graduated licensing requirements. If a person does not wish to enroll in the drivers education course, they may wait until the age of 16 to acquire their permit.

Section 4: Due to the lack of experience and knowledge before obtaining a permit, statistics show that less experienced drivers are at a higher risk for involvement in fatal accidents. No matter what age we start at, from 14–17, a person is still at high risk until they are better educated.

Section 5: The purpose of this bill is to encourage people to seek a structured from of drivers education.

Section 6: This bill will take effect in 2014