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5 **MOTOR TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) ACT 2016**

6 **A BILL FOR AN ACT** to amend Title 13, Chapter 1 of the MIRC, the Motor Traffic
7 Act of 1986, in order to reduce the legal age for driver's license, to include the age for
8 learner's permit, and for restricted license.

9 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS**

10 **§1. Short title.**

11 This Act may be cited as the Motor Traffic (Amendment) Act 2016.

12 **§2. Amendment.**

13 Section 113 of the Principal Act is hereby amended as follows:

14 §113. Non-eligibility for license generally.

15 (1) No operator's license shall be issued by the Chief of Police to
16 any person:

17 (a) who is under the age of ~~eighteen~~ seventeen (17) years,
18 and who has not obtain a learners permit pursuant to
19 section 115 and who has not obtain restricted license
20 pursuant to section 115A;

21 Section 114(2) of the Principal Act is hereby amended as follows:

22 §114. Classes of licenses and requirements.

23 (2) Consistent with Section 113 of this Act, no operator's license ~~or~~
24 ~~learner's permit~~ shall be issued to any class of license specified
in Paragraph (c) or (d) of Subsection (1) of this Section, unless

the applicant has attained the age of ~~eighteen (18)~~ seventeen (17) years.

Section 115(2) of the Principal Act is hereby amended as follows:

§115. Learner's permit and fees.

(2) Other than an applicant who attained the age of sixteen (16) years, learner's permits shall be valid for sixty (60) days from the date of their issue, or until sooner canceled by law or suspended or revoked, or until the holder thereof has successfully qualified for an operator's license of the same class as the learner's permit.

(2A) A learner's permits for applicant who attained the age sixteen (16) years shall be valid for six months from the date of their issuance, or until sooner canceled by law or suspended or revoked, or until the holder thereof has successfully qualified for a restricted license of the same class as the learner's permit.

Section 115 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting a new section as follows:

§115A. Restricted operator's license.

An applicant, who reaches the age of sixteen (16) and have successfully qualified after holding a learner's permit for six months, may apply for a restricted license to operate a vehicle for six (6) months.

For the purposes of this section, restricted license means a license which a holder is restricted to drive during night hours from 10:00 p.m. to 6.00 am and where no more than two passengers of age 21 or above is allowed to travel with the holder of the license.

§3. Effective Date.

This Act shall take effect on the date of certification in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of Procedure of the Nitijela.

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BILL SUMMARY

This Bill proposes to amend Title 13, Chapter 1 of the MIRC, the Motor Traffic Act of 1986, in order to reduce the legal age for driver's license, and to consider for learner's permit and restricted license.

The Bill proposes to have person who has attained the age of seventeen (17) years to be granted full license to operate a vehicle. Prior to that, when at the age of sixteen (16) a person must apply for a learners permit to valid for six months. After successfully obtaining the learners permit, a person may apply for a restricted license to valid for another six months. The restricted license is limited to certain conditions that the person shall not drive during night hours, between 10.00pm and 6.00 am and must be accompanied by 2 adult passengers of age 21 and above.