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## Citizens for the Reduction of the Time it takes to receive a Restricted License

I represent teens who would like to be able to obtain their restricted driver's license sooner. We support legislation which allows responsible teens who follow an accelerated driving program to receive their restricted license sooner.

Currently in Montana, one can obtain his Traffic Education Learner's License (TELL) at the age of 14 ½ if he has completed an approved driver's education class and passed a traffic education course, or at the age of 16 without a drivers education class.

Once he has his TELL, he is required to have 50 hours of supervised driving with a licensed parent or licensed driver that is 18 or older. Ten of these hours are required to be driven at night. The teen must have this license for at least six months. If this is completed, the teen can obtain a restricted license if he completed the course.

If the teen does not receive any traffic tickets, violations and drug or alcohol offenses and if he can complete the 50 hours of driving within three months, he should be able to receive a restricted license in three months. This way he will not have to wait such a long time to obtain a restricted license.

As explained in the paragraphs above, the government feels that teens must drive with parents or an 18 year old licensed driver. If a teen is safe and completes all of the requirements, he should be able to do it within three months. This way, teens will not have to spend so much time trying to receive the restricted license. It is now one's duty as a Montanan to support this to make our state better and still keep it safe.

I will support a legislation that allows responsible teens who follow an accelerated driving program to receive their restricted license sooner.

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