1-1-.14 School Bus Endorsement; Waiver. Amended

- 1. Any person who operates a school bus must possess a commercial driver's license (CDL) with a pPassenger (P)vehicle endorsement and a sSchool bBus (S) endorsement.
- 2. A driver must satisfy the following requirements in order to obtain a <u>sS</u>chool <u>bB</u>us endorsement:
 - a. Qualify for the pPassenger vehicle endorsement.
 - b. Pass the <u>pP</u>assenger <u>(if not already obtained)</u> and <u>sS</u>chool <u>bB</u>us knowledge tests. These tests shall examine the driver's knowledge of the following areas:
 - 1. Loading and unloading children, including the safe operation of stop signal devices, external mirror systems, flashing lights and other warning and passenger safety devices required for school buses by Georgia law or federal law or regulation.
 - 2. Emergency exits and procedures for safely evacuating passengers in an –emergency.
 - 3. State and Federal laws and regulations related to safely traversing highway rail grade crossings.
 - 4. <u>c.</u> Applicant will be issued a <u>commercial learner's permit (CLP)</u> with both the <u>pP</u>assenger (P)-endorsement and <u>sS</u>chool <u>bB</u>us (S) endorsements. -The CLP will also have a 'P' restriction which prohibits passengers in <u>a commercial motor vehicle (CMV)</u> bus.
 - de. Upon successful completion of the skills test the applicant will be issued a CDL with both the Passenger (P) and sSchool bBus (S) endorsements. The driver must must be able to performpass a vehiclepre-trip inspection, pass the basic vehicle control, and skills test and pass a on-road driving skills test in a school bus that is of the same vehicle group of the school bus the driver will operate.

Authority: O.C.G.-A. Sec.§§ 40-5-142, 40-5-150, 40-16-5(c), and 49 C.F.R.§ 383, 49 C.F.R.§ 390.9.

SYNOPSIS

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND MAIN FEATURES OF PROPOSED RULE

The purpose of this amendment is to review and update the Commercial Driver's Licensing rules.

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN EXISTING AND PROPOSED RULE

The proposed amendment updates the titles of the CDL skills test segments. The rule title and statutory authority are updated.