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S. 1672

To authorize States to enter into interstate compacts regarding Class A commercial driver's licenses.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. FISCHER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Commercial Driver
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. INTERSTATE COMPACT TEST PROGRAM.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the Federal
8 Motor Carrier Safety Administration shall establish a test
9 program to allow States and the District of Columbia to
10 enter into interstate compacts with contiguous States to

1 standardize the requirements for drivers operating com-
 2 mercial motor vehicles in interstate commerce.

3 (b) MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF LICENSES.—A com-
 4 mercial driver's licenses issued by 1 State participating in
 5 an interstate compact under subsection (a) shall be recog-
 6 nized as valid in every State that is participating in such
 7 compact.

8 (c) STANDARDS.—In developing an interstate com-
 9 pact under this section, participating States shall provide
 10 for minimum licensure standards acceptable for interstate
 11 travel under this section, which may include, for drivers
 12 under the 21 years of age—

13 (1) age restrictions;

14 (2) distance from origin (measured in air
 15 miles);

16 (3) reporting requirements; or

17 (4) additional hours of service restrictions.

18 **SEC. 3. APPROVAL.**

19 An interstate compact described in section 2 may not
 20 go into effect until it has been approved by the governor
 21 of each State (or the Mayor of the District of Columbia,
 22 if applicable) that is a party to the agreement, after con-
 23 sultation with the Secretary of Transportation and the Ad-
 24 ministrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Adminis-
 25 tration.

1 **SEC. 4. SAVINGS PROVISION.**

2 Nothing in this Act may be construed to limit, or oth-
3 erwise change, the authority to operate in Interstate Com-
4 merce for drivers over the age of 21, including by setting
5 the minimum age requirement to receive a Class A com-
6 mercial driver's license at 18 years of age.

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