HB 2046 -- Driver's Education Courses

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This bill requires school districts to offer a driver's education course to students 15 years of age or older, which can be taught by the district or offered through the University of Missouri on-line school. The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education must also develop a driver's education course which can be offered through the Missouri Virtual School. A student who completes a driver's education course and has no alcohol-related enforcement contacts and no traffic convictions for which points are assessed for a 12-month period may apply for his or her permanent license at 17 years of age. The Driver's Education Fund is created for the development of the on-line courses and to offset fees for students who qualify for the reduced-price lunch program.