

I feel that the proposal to allow 18-20 year olds to drive big rigs is wrong. Operating a vehicle of that size is an incredible responsibility; most 18-20 year olds are not mature enough to do so. At present, 18 year olds, though able to possess a commercial license, can not cross state lines. This in itself shows that their abilities and judgement are questioned. In the state of Georgia, it is not even mandatory that any driver take driver's education before being able to possess a license. This proposal would further exacerbate an already touchy issue -- view statistics on the number of accidents and fatalities in which inexperienced, young drivers are involved. The numbers are staggering. Imagine worsening those statistics by adding a vehicle weighing ten times as much as a passenger vehicle in each of those instances.