SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 4193

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending section 328 (MCL 257.328), as amended by 2004 PA 52.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 328. (1) The owner of a motor vehicle who operates or
- 2 permits the operation of the motor vehicle upon the highways of
- 3 this state or the operator of the motor vehicle shall produce,
- 4 pursuant to UNDER subsection (2), upon the request of a police
- 5 officer, evidence that the motor vehicle is insured under chapter
- 6 31 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3101 to
- 7 500.3179. Subject to section 907(16), 907(15), an owner or operator
- 8 of a motor vehicle who fails to produce evidence of insurance UPON
- 9 REQUEST under this subsection when requested to produce that
- 10 evidence or who fails to have motor vehicle insurance for the
- 11 vehicle as required under chapter 31 of the insurance code of 1956,

- 1 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3101 to 500.3179, is responsible for a civil
- 2 infraction. IF A PERSON DISPLAYS AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF HIS OR HER
- 3 CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE USING AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE, THE POLICE
- 4 OFFICER SHALL ONLY VIEW THE ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF
- 5 INSURANCE AND SHALL NOT MANIPULATE THE ELECTRONIC DEVICE TO VIEW
- 6 ANY OTHER INFORMATION ON THE ELECTRONIC DEVICE. A PERSON WHO
- 7 DISPLAYS AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF HIS OR HER CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE
- 8 USING AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT
- 9 BE PRESUMED TO HAVE CONSENTED TO A SEARCH OF THE ELECTRONIC DEVICE.
- 10 A POLICE OFFICER MAY REQUIRE THE PERSON TO ELECTRONICALLY FORWARD
- 11 THE ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE TO A SPECIFIED
- 12 LOCATION PROVIDED BY THE POLICE OFFICER. THE POLICE OFFICER MAY
- 13 THEN VIEW THE ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE IN A
- 14 SETTING IN WHICH IT IS SAFE FOR THE OFFICER TO VERIFY THAT THE
- 15 INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF
- 16 INSURANCE IS VALID AND ACCURATE. THIS STATE, A LAW ENFORCEMENT
- 17 AGENCY, OR AN EMPLOYEE OF THIS STATE OR A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IS
- 18 NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGE TO OR LOSS OF AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE THAT
- 19 OCCURS AS A RESULT OF A POLICE OFFICER'S VIEWING AN ELECTRONIC COPY
- 20 OF A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN THIS
- 21 SECTION, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE POLICE OFFICER OR THE OWNER OR
- 22 OPERATOR OF THE VEHICLE WAS IN POSSESSION OF THE ELECTRONIC DEVICE
- 23 AT THE TIME THE DAMAGE OR LOSS OCCURRED.
- 24 (2) A certificate of insurance, IN PAPER OR ELECTRONIC FORM
- 25 AND issued by an insurance company, that certifies that the
- 26 security that meets the requirements of sections 3101 and 3102 of
- 27 the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3101 and 500.3102,

- 1 is in force shall be accepted as IS prima facie evidence that
- 2 insurance is in force for the motor vehicle described in the
- 3 certificate of insurance until the expiration date shown on the
- 4 certificate. The certificate, in addition to describing the motor
- 5 vehicles for which insurance is in effect, shall MUST, IF
- 6 APPLICABLE, state the name of each person named on the policy,
- 7 policy declaration, or a declaration certificate whose operation of
- 8 the vehicle would cause the liability coverage of that insurance to
- 9 become void.
- 10 (3) If, before the appearance date on the A citation ISSUED
- 11 UNDER SUBSECTION (1), the person DEFENDANT submits proof to the
- 12 court that the motor vehicle had insurance meeting the requirements
- 13 of sections 3101 and 3102 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA
- 14 218, MCL 500.3101 and 500.3102, at the time the violation of
- 15 subsection (1) occurred, all of the following apply:
- 16 (a) The court shall not assess a fine or costs.
- 17 (b) The court shall not cause FORWARD an abstract of the court
- 18 record to be forwarded to the secretary of state.
- 19 (c) The court may assess a fee of not more than \$25.00, which
- 20 shall be paid to the court funding unit.
- 21 (4) If an owner or operator of a motor vehicle is determined
- 22 to be responsible for a violation of subsection (1), the court in
- 23 which the civil infraction determination is entered may require the
- 24 person to surrender his or her operator's or chauffeur's license
- 25 unless proof that the vehicle has insurance meeting the
- 26 requirements of sections 3101 and 3102 of the insurance code of
- 27 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3101 and 500.3102, is submitted to the

- 1 court. If the court requires the license to be surrendered, the
- 2 court shall order the secretary of state to suspend the person's
- 3 license. The court shall immediately destroy the license and shall
- 4 forward AN ABSTRACT OF THE COURT RECORD to the secretary of state
- 5 an abstract of the court record as required by section 732. Upon
- 6 receipt of the abstract, the secretary of state shall suspend the
- 7 person's license beginning with the date on which $\frac{}{a}$ -THE person is
- 8 determined to be responsible for the civil infraction for a period
- 9 of 30 days or until proof of insurance meeting the requirements of
- 10 sections 3101 and 3102 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218,
- 11 MCL 500.3101 and 500.3102, is submitted to the secretary of state,
- 12 whichever occurs later. A person who submits proof of insurance to
- 13 the secretary of state under this subsection shall pay a service
- 14 fee of \$25.00 to the secretary of state. The person shall not be
- 15 required to be examined as set forth in UNDER section 320c and
- 16 shall not be required to pay a replacement license fee.
- 17 (5) If an owner or operator of a motor vehicle is determined
- 18 to be responsible for a violation of subsection (1), the court in
- 19 which the civil infraction determination is entered shall notify
- 20 the secretary of state of the vehicle registration number and the
- 21 year and make of the motor vehicle being operated at the time of
- 22 the violation. This A notification UNDER THIS SUBSECTION shall be
- 23 made on the abstract or on a form approved by the supreme court
- 24 administrator. Upon receipt, the secretary of state shall
- 25 immediately enter this information in the records of the
- 26 department. The secretary of state shall not renew, transfer, or
- 27 replace the registration plate of the vehicle involved in the

- 1 violation or allow the purchase of a new registration plate for the
- 2 vehicle involved in the violation until the owner meets the
- 3 requirements of section 227a or unless the vehicle involved in the
- 4 violation is transferred or sold to a person other than the owner's
- 5 spouse, mother, father, sister, brother, or child.
- 6 (6) An owner or operator of a motor vehicle who knowingly
- 7 produces false evidence under this section is guilty of a
- 8 misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year,
- 9 or a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both.
- 10 (7) Points shall not be entered on a driver's record pursuant
- 11 to UNDER section 320a for a violation of this section.
- 12 (8) This section does not apply to the owner or operator of a
- 13 motor vehicle that is registered in a state other than this state
- 14 or a foreign country or province.
- 15 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 16 after the date it is enacted into law.