SENATE BILL No. 496

September 16, 2015, Introduced by Senators JONES, BOOHER, MARLEAU and SCHMIDT and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

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

by amending section 312a (MCL 257.312a), as amended by 2013 PA 177.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 312a. (1) A person, before operating a motorcycle, other than an autocycle, upon a public street or highway in this state, shall procure a motorcycle indorsement on his or her operator's or chauffeur's license. The license shall be issued, suspended, revoked, canceled, or renewed in accordance with and governed by this act.
 - (2) A person, before operating a moped upon a highway shall procure a special restricted license to operate a moped unless the person has a valid operator's or chauffeur's license. A special restricted license to operate a moped may be issued to a person 15 years of age or older if the person satisfies the secretary of

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- 1 state that he is competent to operate a moped with safety. The
- 2 secretary of state shall not require a road test before issuance of
- 3 a special restricted license to operate a moped.
- 4 (3) A special restricted license to operate a moped shall
- 5 expire on the birthday of the person to whom it is issued in the
- 6 fourth year following the date of issuance. A license shall not be
- 7 issued for a period longer than 4 years. A person issued a license
- 8 to operate a moped shall pay \$7.50 for an original license and
- 9 \$6.00 for a renewal license. The money received and collected under
- 10 this subsection shall be deposited in the state treasury to the
- 11 credit of the general fund. The secretary of state shall refund out
- 12 of the fees collected to each county or municipality, acting as an
- 13 examining officer, \$2.50 for each applicant examined for an
- 14 original license and \$1.00 for a renewal license.
- 15 (4) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION (1) IS GUILTY OF A
- 16 MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE AS FOLLOWS:
- 17 (A) FOR A FIRST VIOLATION, BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN
- 18 90 DAYS OR A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$500.00, OR BOTH.
- 19 (B) FOR A VIOLATION THAT OCCURS AFTER A PRIOR CONVICTION, BY
- 20 IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 1 YEAR OR A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN
- 21 \$1,000.00, OR BOTH.
- 22 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 23 after the date it is enacted into law.