

FINAL BILL REPORT

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SYNOPSIS AS ENACTED

Brief Description: Adjusting certain motorcycle-related fees.

SPONSORS: Senator Vognild

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

BACKGROUND:

To operate a motorcycle, individuals must have a driver's license and a motorcycle endorsement, which require passage of a motorcycle examination. The fee for an initial motorcycle endorsement is \$6, plus \$2 to cover the cost of the examination. A renewal endorsement, required every four years, costs \$7.50. Revenue from motorcycle endorsements is placed in the motorcycle safety education account.

Since 1983, the Department of Licensing (DOL) has provided motorcycle skills education courses for novice and advanced motorcycle drivers. People under 18 years of age must complete a motorcycle safety education course to qualify for a motorcycle endorsement. The price of the courses is capped at \$30. Additional costs of \$130 to \$150 per student for the basic course are covered by revenue from the motorcycle safety education account.

In 1992, 2,787 students took the basic motorcycle skills education course and another 683 students took experienced rider courses.

SUMMARY:

The price of a renewal motorcycle endorsement is increased from \$7.50 to \$14. The maximum price that can be charged to students for a DOL-sponsored motorcycle skills education course is increased from \$30 to \$50.

VOTES ON FINAL PASSAGE:

Senate	35	12
House	87	11

EFFECTIVE: July 25, 1993