

House Study Bill 606

Conference Committee Text

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1 1 Section 1. Section 321.189, subsection 7, Code Supplement
1 2 1995, is amended by striking the subsection and inserting in
1 3 lieu thereof the following:

1 4 7. CLASS M LICENSE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS. A person,
1 5 under the age of eighteen, applying for a driver's license
1 6 valid for the operation of a motorcycle shall be required to
1 7 successfully complete a motorcycle education course either
1 8 approved and established by the department or from a private
1 9 or commercial driver education school licensed by the
1 10 department before the class M license will be issued. A
1 11 public school district shall charge a student a fee which
1 12 shall not exceed the actual cost of instruction minus moneys
1 13 received by the school district under subsection 9.

1 14 Sec. 2. Section 321.189, subsection 8, paragraph a, Code
1 15 Supplement 1995, is amended to read as follows:

1 16 a. The department may issue a driver's license valid only
1 17 for operation of a motorized bicycle to a person fourteen
1 18 years of age or older who has passed a vision test or who
1 19 files a vision report as provided in section 321.186A which
1 20 shows that the applicant's visual acuity level meets or
1 21 exceeds those required by the department and who passes a
1 22 written examination on the rules of the road. A person under
1 23 the age of sixteen applying for a driver's license valid only
1 24 for operation of a motorized bicycle shall also be required to
1 25 successfully complete a motorized bicycle education course
1 26 approved and established by the department

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1 27 successfully complete an approved motorized bicycle education
1 28 course at a private or commercial driver education school
1 29 licensed by the department. A public school district shall
1 30 charge a student a fee which shall not exceed the actual cost
1 31 of instruction. A driver's license valid only for operation
1 32 of a motorized bicycle entitles the licensee to operate a
1 33 motorized bicycle upon the highway while having the license in
1 34 the licensee's immediate possession. The license is valid for
1 35 a period not to exceed two years from the licensee's birthday
2 1 anniversary in the year of issuance, subject to termination or
2 2 cancellation as provided in this section.

2 3 Sec. 3. Section 321.189, subsection 9, Code Supplement
2 4 1995, is amended to read as follows:

2 5 9. MOTORCYCLE RIDER EDUCATION FUND. The motorcycle rider
2 6 education fund is established in the office of the treasurer
2 7 of state. The moneys credited to the fund are appropriated to
2 8 the department

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- to be used to establish new

2 9 motorcycle rider education courses and reimburse sponsors of
2 10 motorcycle rider education courses for the costs of providing
2 11 motorcycle rider education courses approved and established by
2 12 the department

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2 13 shall adopt rules under chapter 17A providing for the
2 14 distribution of moneys to sponsors of motorcycle rider
2 15 education courses based upon the costs of providing the
2 16 education courses.

2 17 Sec. 4. 1995 Iowa Acts, chapter 1102, section 4, as
2 18 amended by 1994 Iowa Acts, chapter 1199, section 52, and 1995
2 19 Iowa Acts, chapter 119, section 37, is repealed.

2 20 Sec. 5. The amendment to section 321.189, subsection 7,
2 21 Code 1995, as contained in 1995 Iowa Acts, chapter 118,
2 22 section 22, and which would take effect May 1, 1997, is void.

2 23 Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
2 24 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

2 25 EXPLANATION

2 26 This bill strikes the requirement that all persons who wish
2 27 to be issued a motorcycle license must first complete a
2 28 motorcycle rider education class. Instead the bill requires
2 29 that only those persons under the age of 18 complete the
2 30 class, which is a continuation of the current statutory legal
2 31 requirement.

2 32 In addition, the bill transfers the responsibility for
2 33 approving and establishing the motorcycle rider education
2 34 class and the motorized bicycle education class from the
2 35 department of education to the state department of
3 1 transportation.

3 2 The bill is effective upon enactment.

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