

REQUIRES TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY VOTE

(§§ 1, 2)

(Reprinted with amendments adopted on April 21, 2023)

FIRST REPRINT

S.B. 423

SENATE BILL NO. 423—COMMITTEE ON  
GROWTH AND INFRASTRUCTURE

MARCH 27, 2023

Referred to Committee on Growth and Infrastructure

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to motorcycles.  
(BDR 43-662)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

~

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to motorcycles; increasing certain motorcycle safety fees; requiring an applicant for a motorcycle endorsement to a driver's license to pay an additional fee; revising provisions relating to penalties for driving without a motorcycle driver's license, motorcycle endorsement or permit to operate a motorcycle; establishing certain requirements for the renewal of a motorcycle endorsement to a driver's license; revising certain requirements for instructors for the Program for the Education of Motorcycle Riders; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1 Existing law authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to impose for every  
2 motorcycle, a registration fee and an additional fee of \$6 for motorcycle safety.  
3 (NRS 482.480) **Section 1** of this bill increases the fee for motorcycle safety to \$18.

4 Existing law requires an applicant for a motorcycle endorsement to a driver's  
5 license to pay a fee of \$5. (NRS 483.410) **Section 2** of this bill requires such an  
6 applicant to pay an additional \$45 fee for motorcycle safety which must be  
7 deposited in the State General Fund for credit to the Account for the Program for  
8 the Education of Motorcycle Riders.

9 Existing law prohibits a resident of this State from driving a motorcycle upon a  
10 highway unless that person holds a valid motorcycle driver's license, a driver's  
11 license with a motorcycle endorsement or a permit to operate a motorcycle. (NRS  
12 486.061) Existing law also provides that any person who violates this requirement  
13 is guilty of a misdemeanor. (NRS 486.381) **Section 3** of this bill provides that a  
14 court must allow such a person to complete a course of motorcycle safety in lieu of



\* S B 4 2 3 R 1 \*

15 imposing a fine for such a violation which must be completed within 9 months of  
16 the issuance of the final order.

17 Existing law provides that a motorcycle endorsement to a driver's license  
18 expires simultaneously with the expiration of the driver's license. (NRS 486.161)  
19 Existing regulation provides that a driver's license expires on the eighth  
20 anniversary of the birthday of the licensee, measured from the birthday of the  
21 licensee nearest the date of issuance or renewal. (NAC 483.043) **Section 4** of this  
22 bill requires that an applicant for the renewal of a motorcycle endorsement, except  
23 for the first renewal of the motorcycle endorsement, provide proof that the  
24 applicant has successfully completed a course of motorcycle safety in the  
25 immediately preceding 8 years before the applicant may renew the motorcycle  
26 endorsement. **Section 7** of this bill provides that this requirement does not take  
27 effect until January 1, 2032.

28 Existing law requires the Department to establish: (1) the Program for the  
29 Education of Motorcycle Riders; and (2) a fee of not more than \$150 for the  
30 Program. (NRS 486.372, 486.373) Existing law sets forth certain eligibility  
31 requirements for instructors of the Program. (NRS 486.375) **Section 5** of this bill  
32 removes the \$150 Program fee. **Section 6** of this bill removes the eligibility  
33 requirements that a Program instructor: (1) be a resident of this State or a member  
34 of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed at a military installation located  
35 in Nevada; and (2) has held a motorcycle driver's license or endorsement for at  
36 least 2 years.

37 **Section 6.5** of this bill authorizes the Director of the Department of Public  
38 Safety to transfer money from the Account for the Program for the Education of  
39 Motorcycle Riders to the Department for certain computer programming costs  
40 associated with **sections 1 and 2**.

---

---

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 482.480 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 482.480 There must be paid to the Department for the  
3 registration or the transfer or reinstatement of the registration of  
4 motor vehicles, trailers and semitrailers, fees according to the  
5 following schedule:

6 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, for each stock  
7 passenger car and each reconstructed or specially constructed  
8 passenger car registered to a person, regardless of weight or number  
9 of passenger capacity, a fee for registration of \$33.

10 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3:

11 (a) For each of the fifth and sixth such cars registered to a  
12 person, a fee for registration of \$16.50.

13 (b) For each of the seventh and eighth such cars registered to a  
14 person, a fee for registration of \$12.

15 (c) For each of the ninth or more such cars registered to a  
16 person, a fee for registration of \$8.

17 3. The fees specified in subsection 2 do not apply:



1 (a) Unless the person registering the cars presents to the  
2 Department at the time of registration the registrations of all the cars  
3 registered to the person.

4 (b) To cars that are part of a fleet.

5 4. For every motorcycle, a fee for registration of \$33 and for  
6 each motorcycle other than a trimobile, an additional fee of ~~[\$6]~~ \$18  
7 for motorcycle safety. The additional fee must be deposited in the  
8 State General Fund for credit to the Account for the Program for the  
9 Education of Motorcycle Riders created by NRS 486.372.

10 5. For every moped, a one-time fee for registration of \$33.

11 6. For each transfer of registration, a fee of \$6 in addition to  
12 any other fees.

13 7. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 of NRS  
14 485.317, to reinstate the registration of a motor vehicle that is  
15 suspended pursuant to that section:

16 (a) A fee as specified in NRS 482.557 for a registered owner  
17 who failed to have insurance on the date specified by the  
18 Department, which fee is in addition to any fine or penalty imposed  
19 pursuant to NRS 482.557; or

20 (b) A fee of \$50 for a registered owner of a dormant vehicle who  
21 cancelled the insurance coverage for that vehicle or allowed the  
22 insurance coverage for that vehicle to expire without first cancelling  
23 the registration for the vehicle in accordance with subsection 3 of  
24 NRS 485.320,

25 ↪ both of which must be deposited in the Account for Verification  
26 of Insurance which is hereby created in the State Highway Fund.  
27 The money in the Account must be used to carry out the provisions  
28 of NRS 485.313 to 485.318, inclusive.

29 8. For every travel trailer, a fee for registration of \$27.

30 9. For every permit for the operation of a golf cart, an annual  
31 fee of \$10.

32 10. For every low-speed vehicle, as that term is defined in NRS  
33 484B.637, a fee for registration of \$33.

34 11. To reinstate the registration of a motor vehicle that is  
35 suspended pursuant to NRS 482.451 or 482.458, a fee of \$33.

36 12. For each vehicle for which the registered owner has  
37 indicated his or her intention to opt in to making a contribution  
38 pursuant to paragraph (i) of subsection 3 of NRS 482.215 or  
39 subsection 4 of NRS 482.280, a contribution of \$2. The contribution  
40 must be distributed to the appropriate county pursuant to  
41 NRS 482.1825.

42 **Sec. 2.** NRS 483.410 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43 483.410 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 and  
44 NRS 483.330 and 483.417, for every driver's license, including a



1 motorcycle driver's license, issued and service performed, the  
2 following fees must be charged:

|    |   |         |
|----|---|---------|
| 3  |   |         |
| 4  | An original or renewal license issued to a person |         |
| 5  | 65 years of age or older.....                     | \$13.50 |
| 6  | An original or renewal license issued to any      |         |
| 7  | person less than 65 years of age which            |         |
| 8  | expires on the eighth anniversary of the          |         |
| 9  | licensee's birthday.....                          | 37.00   |
| 10 | An original or renewal license issued to any      |         |
| 11 | person less than 65 years of age which            |         |
| 12 | expires on or before the fourth anniversary of    |         |
| 13 | the licensee's birthday.....                      | 18.50   |
| 14 | Administration of the examination required by     |         |
| 15 | NRS 483.330 for a noncommercial driver's          |         |
| 16 | license.....                                      | 25.00   |
| 17 | Each readministration to the same person of the   |         |
| 18 | examination required by NRS 483.330 for a         |         |
| 19 | noncommercial driver's license .....              | 10.00   |
| 20 | Reinstatement of a license after suspension,      |         |
| 21 | revocation or cancellation, except a              |         |
| 22 | revocation for a violation of NRS 484C.110,       |         |
| 23 | 484C.120, 484C.130 or 484C.430, or                |         |
| 24 | pursuant to NRS 484C.210 and 484C.220 .....       | 75.00   |
| 25 | Reinstatement of a license after revocation for a |         |
| 26 | violation of NRS 484C.110, 484C.120,              |         |
| 27 | 484C.130 or 484C.430, or pursuant to NRS          |         |
| 28 | 484C.210 and 484C.220.....                        | 120.00  |
| 29 | A new photograph, change of name, change of       |         |
| 30 | other information, except address, or any         |         |
| 31 | combination.....                                  | 5.00    |
| 32 | A duplicate license .....                         | 14.00   |

33  
34 2. For every motorcycle endorsement to a driver's license, a  
35 fee of \$5 *and an additional fee of \$45 for motorcycle safety* must  
36 be charged. *The additional fee for motorcycle safety must be*  
37 *deposited in the State General Fund for credit to the Account for*  
38 *the Program for the Education of Motorcycle Riders created by*  
39 *NRS 486.372.*

40 3. If no other change is requested or required, the Department  
41 shall not charge a fee to convert the number of a license from the  
42 licensee's social security number, or a number that was formulated  
43 by using the licensee's social security number as a basis for the  
44 number, to a unique number that is not based on the licensee's social  
45 security number.



1 4. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 483.417, the increase  
2 in fees authorized by NRS 483.347 and the fees charged pursuant to  
3 NRS 483.415 must be paid in addition to the fees charged pursuant  
4 to subsections 1 and 2.

5 5. A penalty of \$10 must be paid by each person renewing a  
6 license after it has expired for a period of 30 days or more as  
7 provided in NRS 483.386 unless the person is exempt pursuant to  
8 that section.

9 6. The Department may not charge a fee for the reinstatement  
10 of a driver's license that has been:

- 11 (a) Voluntarily surrendered for medical reasons; or
- 12 (b) Cancelled pursuant to NRS 483.310.

13 7. All fees and penalties are payable to the Administrator at the  
14 time a license or a renewal license is issued.

15 8. Except as otherwise provided in *subsection 2*, NRS 483.340,  
16 subsection 3 of NRS 483.3485, NRS 483.415 and 483.840, and  
17 subsection 3 of NRS 483.863, all money collected by the  
18 Department pursuant to this chapter must be deposited in the State  
19 Treasury for credit to the Motor Vehicle Fund.

20 **Sec. 3.** NRS 486.061 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 486.061 *1.* Except for a nonresident who is at least 16 years  
22 of age and is authorized by the person's state of residency to drive a  
23 motorcycle, a person shall not drive:

24 ~~[1-]~~ *(a)* A motorcycle, except a trimobile, upon a highway  
25 unless that person holds a valid motorcycle driver's license issued  
26 pursuant to NRS 486.011 to 486.381, inclusive, a driver's license  
27 issued pursuant to chapter 483 of NRS endorsed to authorize the  
28 holder to drive a motorcycle or a permit issued pursuant to  
29 subsection 4 or 5 of NRS 483.280.

30 ~~[2-]~~ *(b)* A trimobile upon a highway unless that person holds a  
31 valid motorcycle driver's license issued pursuant to NRS 486.011 to  
32 486.381, inclusive, or a driver's license issued pursuant to chapter  
33 483 of NRS.

34 *2. If, pursuant to NRS 486.381, a court of competent*  
35 *jurisdiction finds that a person has violated the requirement of*  
36 *paragraph (a) of subsection 1, the court shall permit the person to*  
37 *complete a course of motorcycle safety in lieu of assessing a fine*  
38 *for the violation. The course of motorcycle safety must be*  
39 *completed within 9 months of the date of the final order of the*  
40 *court and proof of successful completion of the course must be*  
41 *filed with the court.*

42 **Sec. 4.** NRS 486.161 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43 486.161 *1.* Every motorcycle driver's license expires as  
44 prescribed by regulation.



1 2. The Department shall adopt regulations prescribing when a  
2 motorcycle driver's license expires.

3 3. Every *motorcycle driver's* license is renewable at any time  
4 before its expiration upon application, submission of the statement  
5 required pursuant to NRS 486.084 and payment of the required fee.

6 4. Every motorcycle endorsement to a driver's license issued  
7 on or after January 1, 1972, expires simultaneously with the  
8 expiration of the driver's license.

9 5. *Except for the initial renewal of a motorcycle endorsement*  
10 *to a driver's license, an applicant for the renewal of a motorcycle*  
11 *endorsement after the first renewal must submit proof of the*  
12 *successful completion by the applicant of a course of motorcycle*  
13 *safety approved by the Department in the immediately preceding 8*  
14 *years.*

15 ~~4.~~ 6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 1 of NRS  
16 483.384, each applicant for renewal must appear before an examiner  
17 for a driver's license and successfully pass a test of the applicant's  
18 eyesight.

19 **Sec. 5.** NRS 486.373 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 486.373 ~~4.~~ A resident of this State who holds a driver's  
21 license, a motorcycle driver's license or a motorcycle endorsement  
22 to a driver's license or who is eligible to apply for such a license or  
23 endorsement, or a nonresident who is a member of the Armed  
24 Forces of the United States, a reserve component thereof or the  
25 National Guard and who is stationed at a military installation  
26 located in Nevada, may enroll in the Program.

27 ~~2. The Director shall establish a fee of not more than \$150 for~~  
28 ~~the Program.~~

29 **Sec. 6.** NRS 486.375 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 486.375 1. A person who:

31 ~~(a) Is a resident of this State or is a member of the Armed~~  
32 ~~Forces of the United States stationed at a military installation~~  
33 ~~located in Nevada;~~

34 ~~(b)~~ Is at least 21 years old;

35 ~~(e)~~ (b) Holds a motorcycle driver's license or a motorcycle  
36 endorsement to a driver's license issued by the Department;

37 ~~(d) Has held a motorcycle driver's license or endorsement for at~~  
38 ~~least 2 years; and~~

39 ~~(e)~~ and

40 (c) Is certified as an instructor of motorcycle riders by a  
41 nationally recognized public or private organization which is  
42 approved by the Director,

43 may apply to the Department for a license as an instructor for the  
44 Program.



1 2. The Department shall not license a person as an instructor if,  
2 within 2 years before the person submits an application for a license:

3 (a) The person has accumulated three or more demerit points  
4 pursuant to the uniform system of demerit points established  
5 pursuant to NRS 483.473, or has been convicted of, or found to have  
6 committed, traffic violations of comparable number and severity in  
7 another jurisdiction; or

8 (b) The person's driver's license was suspended or revoked in  
9 any jurisdiction.

10 3. The Director shall adopt standards and procedures for the  
11 licensing of instructors for the Program.

12 **Sec. 6.5.** The Director of the Department of Public Safety  
13 may, upon the request of the Director of the Department of Motor  
14 Vehicles, transfer not more than \$96,499 from the Account for the  
15 Program for the Education of Motorcycle Riders created by NRS  
16 486.372 to the Department of Motor Vehicles for the cost of  
17 computer programming required to implement the amendatory  
18 provisions of sections 1 and 2 of this act.

19 **Sec. 7.** 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and  
20 approval.

21 2. Sections 1, 2, 5, 6 and 6.5 of this act become effective:

22 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any  
23 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative  
24 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

25 (b) On January 1, 2024, for all other purposes.

26 3. Section 3 of this act becomes effective:

27 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any  
28 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative  
29 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

30 (b) On January 1, 2025, for all other purposes.

31 4. Section 4 of this act becomes effective:

32 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any  
33 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative  
34 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

35 (b) On January 1, 2032, for all other purposes.

