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; revising provisions relating to penalties for driving without a motorcycle driver's license, motorcycle endorsement or permit to operate a motorcycle; 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:

Existing law prohibits a resident of this State from driving a motorcycle upon a highway unless that person holds a valid motorcycle driver's license, a driver's license with a motorcycle endorsement or a permit to operate a motorcycle. (NRS 486.061) Existing law also provides that any person who violates this requirement is guilty of a misdemeanor. (NRS 486.381) Section 3 of this bill provides that a court must allow such a person to complete a course of motorcycle safety in lieu of imposing a fine for such a violation which must be completed within 9 months of the issuance of the final order.

Existing law requires the Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles to
establish the Program for the Education of Motorcycle Riders and sets forth certain
eligibility requirements for instructors of the Program. (NRS 486.372, 486.375)
Section 6 of this bill removes the eligibility requirements that a Program instructor:
(1) be a resident of this State or a member of the Armed Forces of the United States
stationed at a military installation located in Nevada; and (2) has held a motorcycle
driver's license or endorsement for at least 2 years.





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

- 1 Section 1. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 2 Sec. 2. (Deleted by amendment.)

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

4 486.061 *I*. Except for a nonresident who is at least 16 years 5 of age and is authorized by the person's state of residency to drive a 6 motorcycle, a person shall not drive:

7 [1.] (a) A motorcycle, except a trimobile, upon a highway 8 unless that person holds a valid motorcycle driver's license issued 9 pursuant to NRS 486.011 to 486.381, inclusive, a driver's license 10 issued pursuant to chapter 483 of NRS endorsed to authorize the 11 holder to drive a motorcycle or a permit issued pursuant to 12 subsection 4 or 5 of NRS 483.280.

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

17 2. If, pursuant to NRS 486.381, a court of competent 18 jurisdiction finds that a person has violated the requirement of 19 paragraph (a) of subsection 1, the court shall permit the person to complete a course of motorcycle safety in lieu of assessing a fine 20 for the violation. The course of motorcycle safety must be 21 completed within 9 months after the date of the final order of the 22 23 court and proof of successful completion of the course must be 24 filed with the court.

- 25 Sec. 4. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 26 Sec. 5. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 27 Sec. 6. NRS 486.375 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 28 486.375 1. A person who:

(a) [Is a resident of this State or is a member of the Armed
Forces of the United States stationed at a military installation

- 31 located in Nevada;
- $32 \quad (b)$  Is at least 21 years old;

33 [(c)] (b) Holds a motorcycle driver's license or a motorcycle
 34 endorsement to a driver's license issued by the Department;

35 [(d) Has held a motorcycle driver's license or endorsement for at
 36 least 2 years; and

37 <u>(e)]</u> and

38 (c) Is certified as an instructor of motorcycle riders by a 39 nationally recognized public or private organization which is 40 approved by the Director,

41  $\rightarrow$  may apply to the Department for a license as an instructor for the 42 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 pursuant to the uniform system of demerit points established 4 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

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

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

12 **Sec. 6.5.** (Deleted by amendment.)

13 Sec. 7. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and 14 approval.

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

16 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any 17 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative 18 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

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(b) On January 1, 2024, for all other purposes. 3. Section 3 of this act becomes effective:

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

- (b) On January 1, 2025, for all other purposes.
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- Section 4 of this act becomes effective: 26 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any
- 27 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative
- 28 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and
- (b) On January 1, 2032, for all other purposes. 29



