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1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to motor vehicles; modifying various provisions governing registration,

1.3 fees, and insurance for motorcycles; appropriating money; amending Minnesota

1.4 Statutes 2016, sections 65B.48, subdivision 5; 171.06, subdivision 2a; proposing

1.5 coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 168.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 65B.48, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 5. **Motorcycle coverage.** (a) Every owner of a motorcycle registered or required

1.9 to be registered in this state or operated in this state by the owner or with the owner's

1.10 permission shall provide and maintain security for the payment of tort liabilities arising out

1.11 of the maintenance or use of the motorcycle in this state. Security may be provided by a

1.12 contract of liability insurance complying with section 65B.49, subdivision 3, or by qualifying

1.13 as a self insurer in the manner provided in subdivision 3.

1.14 (b) At the time an application for motorcycle insurance without personal injury protection

1.15 coverage is completed, there must be attached to the application a separate form containing

1.16 a written notice in at least 10-point bold type, if printed, or in capital letters, if typewritten

1.17 that states:

1.18 "Under Minnesota law, a policy of motorcycle coverage issued in the State of Minnesota

1.19 must provide liability coverage only, and there is no requirement that the policy provide

1.20 personal injury protection (PIP) coverage in the case of injury sustained by the insured.

1.21 No PIP coverage provided by an automobile insurance policy you may have in force

1.22 will extend to provide coverage in the event of a motorcycle accident."

2.1 (c) An insurer must provide an appropriate premium reduction of at least ten percent on
 2.2 its policies containing motorcycle coverage under this subdivision to insureds who have
 2.3 successfully completed the motorcycle safety course under section 171.335.

2.4 **Sec. 2. [168.1294] "START SEEING MOTORCYCLES" PLATES.**

2.5 Subdivision 1. **Issuance of plates.** The commissioner shall issue special "Start Seeing
 2.6 Motorcycles" license plates or a single motorcycle plate to an applicant who:

2.7 (1) is a registered owner of a passenger automobile, noncommercial one-ton pickup
 2.8 truck, motorcycle, or recreational motor vehicle;

2.9 (2) pays a fee of \$10 for each set of plates;

2.10 (3) pays the registration tax as required under section 168.013, along with any other fees
 2.11 required by this chapter;

2.12 (4) contributes a minimum of \$10 annually to the motorcycle safety fund, created under
 2.13 section 171.06, subdivision 2a, paragraph (a), clause (1); and

2.14 (5) complies with this chapter and rules governing registration of motor vehicles and
 2.15 licensing of drivers.

2.16 Subd. 2. **Design.** The representatives of American Bikers for Awareness, Training, and
 2.17 Education of Minnesota shall design the special plate to contain the inscription "Start Seeing
 2.18 Motorcycles" between the bolt holes on the bottom of the plate with a design area on the
 2.19 left side of the plate, subject to the approval of the commissioner.

2.20 Subd. 3. **Plates transfer.** On application to the commissioner and payment of a transfer
 2.21 fee of \$5, special plates issued under this section may be transferred to another motor vehicle
 2.22 if the subsequent vehicle is:

2.23 (1) qualified under subdivision 1, clause (1), to bear the special plates; and

2.24 (2) registered to the same individual to whom the special plates were originally issued.

2.25 Subd. 4. **Exemption.** Special plates issued under this section are not subject to section
 2.26 168.1293, subdivision 2.

2.27 Subd. 5. **Fees.** Fees collected under subdivision 1, clause (2), and subdivision 3 are
 2.28 credited to the vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund.

2.29 Subd. 6. **No refund.** Contributions under this section must not be refunded.

2.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2018, for special "Start Seeing
 2.31 Motorcycles" plates issued on or after that date.

3.1 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 171.06, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

3.2 Subd. 2a. **Two-wheeled vehicle endorsement fee.** (a) The fee for any duplicate driver's
3.3 license obtained for the purpose of adding a two-wheeled vehicle endorsement is increased
3.4 by \$18.50 for each first such duplicate license and \$13 for each renewal thereof. The
3.5 additional fee must be paid into the state treasury and credited as follows:

3.6 (1) \$11 of the additional fee for each first duplicate license, and \$7 of the additional fee
3.7 for each renewal, must be credited to the motorcycle safety fund, which is hereby created;
3.8 ~~provided that ten percent of fee receipts in excess of \$750,000 in a fiscal year must be~~
3.9 ~~credited to the general fund.~~

3.10 (2) The remainder of the additional fee must be credited to the general fund.

3.11 (b) All application forms prepared by the commissioner for two-wheeled vehicle
3.12 endorsements must clearly state the amount of the total fee that is dedicated to the motorcycle
3.13 safety fund.