Senate Bill 574

Sponsored by Senator WALKER

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Requires every applicant for motorcycle endorsement to successfully complete motorcycle rider education course before Department of Transportation may issue endorsement.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to motorcycle endorsement; amending ORS 807.170 and 807.175.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 807.175 is amended to read:

807.175. The Department of Transportation may not issue a motorcycle endorsement to any person [who is under 21 years of age] unless the person shows to the satisfaction of the department that the person has successfully completed a motorcycle rider education course established by the department under ORS 802.320. This requirement is in addition to any other requirement for the endorsement.

SECTION 2. ORS 807.170 is amended to read:

- 807.170. (1) The Department of Transportation shall provide for the granting of driver license endorsements in a manner consistent with this section.
- (2) The department shall grant an endorsement to any person who complies with all of the following requirements:
- (a) The person must hold a valid license other than a restricted Class C license issued under the vehicle code.
- (b) The person must successfully complete any tests and demonstrations referred to in ORS 807.070 that the department determines necessary to determine whether the applicant is qualified for the type of endorsement sought. The actual demonstration required under ORS 807.070, if any, must be performed in a vehicle that may be operated under the endorsement sought but that may not be operated without the endorsement. Tests shall include, but are not limited to, those tests necessary to determine whether the applicant:
- (A) Has satisfactory knowledge of laws relating to operation under the type of endorsement sought, defensive driving skills, the common causes of accidents involving vehicles operated under the type of endorsement sought; and
- (B) Can operate under the endorsement in a manner that will not jeopardize the safety of persons or property.
- (c) The appropriate fee under ORS 807.370 for the endorsement, including the fee for the Motorcycle Safety Subaccount, must be paid.
- 30 (d) If the person is [under 21 years of age and] an applicant for a motorcycle endorsement, the person must comply with ORS 807.175.

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

- (3) An endorsement granted under this section is subject to the following:
- (a) It is part of the license upon which it is endorsed and is subject to any provisions applicable to the endorsed license under the statutes of this state.
 - (b) It is valid only if the license endorsed is valid.
- (c) The appropriate fee under ORS 807.370 must be paid upon renewal of the endorsement in addition to any fee for renewal of the license endorsed.
- (d) Except as provided under ORS 807.350 or as specifically provided under ORS 809.419, an endorsement cannot be canceled, suspended or revoked separately from the license endorsed. When an endorsed license is canceled, suspended or revoked, all endorsements on the license are subject to the same cancellation, suspension or revocation as the license.
- (4) Before the department may renew any license with a motorcycle endorsement, the applicant shall pay the department the Motorcycle Safety Subaccount fee established under ORS 807.370 in addition to any fee for renewal of the license.

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