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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTORCYCLE DRIVER
EDUCATION PROGRAM

Introduced By: Senator Roger Picard

Date Introduced: June 09, 2023

Referred To: Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 31-10.1-1.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-10.1 entitled "Special
2 License for Motorcycles, Motor Scooters, and Other Motor Driven Cycles" is hereby amended to
3 read as follows:

4 **31-10.1-1.1. Motorcycle driver education program.**

5 (a) The council on postsecondary education and the office of the postsecondary
6 commissioner shall through the Community College of Rhode Island provide:

7 (1) A minimum of six (6) and up to a maximum of twenty (20) hours of classroom
8 instruction and/or on-the-road driver training, as determined by the council and/or the Community
9 College of Rhode Island, for applicants or prospective applicants for a first motorcycle operator's
10 license to operate two-wheeled (2) motorcycles under this chapter; and

11 (2) A minimum of six (6) and up to a maximum of twenty (20) hours of classroom
12 instruction and/or on-the-road driver training, as determined by the council and/or the Community
13 College of Rhode Island, for applicants or prospective applicants for a first motorcycle operator's
14 license to operate three-wheeled (3) motorcycles under this chapter. Instruction shall be given by a
15 person eligible for a teacher's certificate issued under the authority of the council on elementary
16 and secondary education and/or certified to teach motorcycle safety classes by completion of a
17 course of instruction recognized by the Community College of Rhode Island.

18 (b) Motorcycle driver education programs shall be available to any eligible resident

1 applicant holding a valid Rhode Island motor vehicle operator's license.

2 (c) The council on postsecondary education shall establish any fees that are deemed
3 necessary to support this program.

4 (d) The council on postsecondary education and the office of the postsecondary
5 commissioner are authorized to establish regulations to further implement this chapter.

6 (e) Reasonable accommodations shall be made for persons with disabilities to fully
7 participate in all courses of instruction offered pursuant to this section.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would require that the motorcycle education courses provide accommodations for
- 2 person's with disabilities.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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