VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1997 SESSION

CHAPTER 493

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 46.2-332 and 46.2-1191 of the Code of Virginia, relating to fees for motorcycle driver's license endorsements and the Motorcycle Rider Safety Training Program Fund.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 46.2-332 and 46.2-1191 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows: § 46.2-332. Fees.

On and after January 1, 1990, the fee for each driver's license other than a commercial driver's license shall be two dollars and forty cents per year. If the license is a commercial driver's license or seasonal restricted commercial driver's license, the fee shall be six dollars per year. For any one or more driver's license endorsements, *except a motorcycle endorsement*, there shall be an additional fee of one dollar per year; *for a motorcycle endorsement, there shall be an additional fee of two dollars per year*. For any and all driver's license classifications, there shall be an additional fee of one dollar per year. For any revalidation of a seasonal restricted commercial driver's license the fee shall be five dollars.

A reexamination fee of two dollars shall be charged for each administration of the knowledge portion of the driver's license examination taken by an applicant who is eighteen years of age or older if taken more than once within a fifteen day period. The reexamination fee shall be charged each time the examination is administered until the applicant successfully completes the examination, if taken prior to the fifteenth day.

An applicant who is less than eighteen years of age who does not successfully complete the knowledge portion of the driver license examination shall not be permitted to take the knowledge portion more than once in fifteen days.

If the applicant for a driver's license is an employee of the Commonwealth, or of any county, city, or town who drives a motorcycle or a commercial motor vehicle solely in the line of his duty, he shall be exempt from the additional fee otherwise assessable for a motorcycle classification or a commercial motor vehicle endorsement. The Commissioner may prescribe the forms as may be requisite for completion by persons claiming exemption from additional fees imposed by this section.

No additional fee above two dollars and forty cents per year shall be assessed for the driver's license or commercial driver's license required for the operation of a school bus.

Excluding the two dollars reexamination fee, one dollar and fifty cents of all fees collected for each original or renewal driver's license shall be paid into the driver education fund of the state treasury, and expended as provided by law. Unexpended funds from the driver education fund shall be retained in the fund and be available for expenditure in ensuing years as provided therein.

All fees for motorcycle endorsements shall be distributed as provided in § 46.2-1191.

This section shall supersede conflicting provisions of this chapter.

§ 46.2-1191. Motorcycle Rider Safety Training Program Fund.

To finance the cost of the Motorcycle Rider Safety Training Program, the Department of Motor Vehicles shall deposit three dollars of the fee collected for the issuance of each motorcycle registration *and all motorcycle driver's license endorsement fees* into a special fund to be known as the Motorcycle Rider Safety Training Program Fund. The Department shall use the Fund as necessary for: (i) the costs of the Department of Motor Vehicles incurred in the administration of this *ehapter article*, (ii) the funding or contracts with approved regional cycle rider safety training centers for the conducting of courses, and (iii) for any other purposes related to the administration of this *ehapter article*.