LEGISLATIVE BILL 231

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A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend sections 44-7703, 60-124, 60-340, 60-376, 60-3,118, 60-3,143, 60-4,123, 60-4,123.01, 60-639, 60-6,219, 60-6,226, 60-6,265, 60-6,266, 60-6,270, 60-6,272, 60-6,273, 60-1401.02, and 60-1401.28, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 60-101, 60-102, 60-301, 60-302, 60-3,100, 60-3,104, 60-3,113, 60-3,135.01, 60-3,187, 60-3,190, 60-462, 60-463, 60-4,114, 60-4,124, 60-4,182, 60-601, 60-605, 60-6,267, 60-1401, and 71-1907, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014; to define and redefine terms; to provide for certificates of title, registration, and operating and dealership regulations for autocycles; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

44-7703 The Model Act Regarding Use of Credit Information in Personal Insurance applies to personal insurance and not to commercial insurance. For purposes of the act, personal insurance means private passenger automobile, homeowners, motorcycle, <u>autocycle</u>, mobile homeowners, noncommercial dwelling fire, and boat, personal watercraft, snowmobile, and recreational vehicle insurance policies. Such policies must be individually underwritten for personal, family, or household use. No other type of insurance shall be included as personal insurance for purposes of the act.

Sec. 2. Section 60-101, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

60-101 Sections 60-101 to 60-197 <u>and section 4 of this act</u> shall be known and may be cited as the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act.

Sec. 3. Section 60-102, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

60-102 For purposes of the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act, unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions found in sections 60-103 to 60-136.01 <u>and section 4 of this act</u>shall be used.

Sec. 4. Autocycle means any motor vehicle (1) having a seat that does not require the operator to straddle or sit astride it, (2) designed to travel on three wheels in contact with the ground, (3) in which the operator and passenger ride either side by side or in tandem in a seating area that is completely enclosed with a removable or fixed top and is equipped with manufacturer-installed air bags, a manufacturer-installed roll cage, and for each occupant a manufacturer-installed three-point safety belt system, (4) having antilock brakes, and (5) designed to be controlled with a steering wheel and pedals.

Sec. 5. Section 60-124, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

60-124 Motorcycle means any motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the operator and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground. Motorcycle does not include an autocycle.

Sec. 6. Section 60-301, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

60-301 Sections 60-301 to 60-3,222 <u>and section 8 of this act shall be</u>

known and may be cited as the Motor Vehicle Registration Act. Sec. 7. Section 60-302, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

60--302 For purposes of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions found in sections 60--302.01 to 60--360 and section 8 of this act shall be used.

Sec. 8. Autocycle means any motor vehicle (1) having a seat that does not require the operator to straddle or sit astride it, (2) designed to travel on three wheels in contact with the ground, (3) in which the operator and passenger ride either side by side or in tandem in a seating area that is completely enclosed with a removable or fixed top and is equipped with manufacturer-installed air bags, a manufacturer-installed roll cage, and for each occupant a manufacturer-installed three-point safety belt system, (4) having antilock brakes, and (5) designed to be controlled with a steering wheel and pedals.

Sec. 9. Section 60-340, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

60-340 Motorcycle means any motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for use of the operator and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground. Motorcycle does not include an autocycle.

Sec. 10. Section 60-376, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

60-376 Subject to all the provisions of law relating to motor vehicles and trailers not inconsistent with this section, any motor vehicle dealer or

trailer dealer who is regularly engaged within this state in the business of buying and selling motor vehicles and trailers, who regularly maintains within this state an established place of business, and who desires to effect delivery of any motor vehicle or trailer bought or sold by him or her from the point where purchased or sold to points within or outside this state may, solely for the purpose of such delivery by himself or herself, his or her agent, or a bona fide purchaser, operate such motor vehicle or tow such trailer on the highways of this state without charge or registration of such motor vehicle or trailer. A sticker shall be displayed on the front and rear windows or the rear side windows of such motor vehicle, except <u>an autocycle or</u> a motorcycle, and displayed on the front and rear of each such trailer. On the sticker shall be plainly printed in black letters the words In Transit. One In Transit sticker shall be displayed on an autocycle or a motorcycle, which sticker may be onehalf the size required for other motor vehicles. Such stickers shall include a registration number, which registration number shall be different for each sticker or pair of stickers issued, and the contents of such sticker and the numbering system shall be as prescribed by the department. Each dealer issuing such stickers shall keep a record of the registration number of each sticker or pair of stickers on the invoice of such sale. Such sticker shall allow such owner to operate the motor vehicle or tow such trailer for a period of thirty days in order to effect proper registration of the new or used motor vehicle or trailer. When any person, firm, or corporation has had a motor vehicle or trailer previously registered and license plates assigned to such person, firm, or corporation, such owner may operate the motor vehicle or tow such trailer for a period of thirty days in order to effect transfer of plates to the new or used motor vehicle or trailer. Upon demand of proper authorities, there shall be presented by the person in charge of such motor vehicle or trailer, for examination, a duly executed bill of sale therefor or other satisfactory evidence of the right of possession by such person of such motor vehicle or trailer.

11. Section 60-3,100, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, Sec. is amended to read:

60-3,100 (1) The department shall issue to every person whose motor vehicle or trailer is registered fully reflectorized license plates upon which shall be displayed (a) the registration number consisting of letters and numerals assigned to such motor vehicle or trailer in figures not less than two and one-half inches nor more than three inches in height and (b) also the word Nebraska suitably lettered so as to be attractive. Two license plates shall be issued for every motor vehicle, except that one plate shall be issued for dealers, <u>autocycles</u>, motorcycles, minitrucks, truck-tractors, trailers, buses, apportionable vehicles, and special interest motor vehicles that use the special interest motor vehicle license plate authorized by and issued under section 60-3,135.01. The license plates shall be of a color designated by the director. The color of the plates shall be changed each time the license plates are changed. Each time the license plates are changed, the director shall secure competitive bids for materials pursuant to sections 81-145 to 81-162. <u>Autocycle, motorcycle</u> <u>Motorcycle</u>, minitruck, low-speed vehicle, and trailer license plate letters and numerals may be one-half the size of those required in this section.

(2) When two license plates are issued, one shall be prominently displayed at all times on the front and one on the rear of the registered motor vehicle or trailer. When only one plate is issued, it shall be prominently displayed on the rear of the registered motor vehicle or trailer. When only one plate is issued for motor vehicles registered pursuant to section 60-3,198 and trucktractors, it shall be prominently displayed on the front of the apportionable vehicle.

Sec. 12. Section 60-3,104, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

- 60-3,104 The department shall issue the following types of license plates: Amateur radio station license plates issued pursuant to section (1) 60-3,126;
- (2) Apportionable vehicle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,203;
 - (3) Autocycle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100;
 - $(\underline{4} \ 3)$ Boat dealer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-379;
- $(\frac{5}{4})$ Bus license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,144; $(\frac{6}{5})$ Commercial motor vehicle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,147;
- (7 6) Dealer or manufacturer license plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,114 and 60-3,115;
 - $(\underline{8}\ 7)$ Disabled veteran license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,124;
 - (98) Farm trailer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,151;
 - $(\frac{1}{10})$ Farm truck license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,146;
- $(\frac{1}{1})$ Farm trucks with a gross weight of over sixteen tons license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,146;
- $(\underline{12} \ \underline{11})$ Fertilizer trailer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,151;
 - (13 12) Film vehicle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-383;
- $(\underline{14} \ \underline{43})$ Gold Star Family license plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,122.01 and 60-3,122.02;
- $(\underline{15}\ \underline{14})$ Handicapped or disabled person license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,113;
- $(\underline{16} \ \underline{15})$ Historical vehicle license plates issued pursuant to sections

60-3,130 to 60-3,134;

- (17 + 16) Local truck license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,145;
- $(\underline{18} \ \underline{17})$ Military Honor Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,122.03 and 60-3,122.04;
 - $(\underline{19}\ \underline{18})$ Minitruck license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100;
- $(20 \ 19)$ Motor vehicle license plates for motor vehicles owned or operated by the state, counties, municipalities, or school districts issued pursuant to section 60-3,105;
 - (21 20) Motor vehicles exempt pursuant to section 60-3,107;
 - (22 21) Motorcycle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100;
- $(\overline{23}$ $\overline{22})$ Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,127 to 60-3,129;
- $(\underline{24} \ 23)$ Nonresident owner thirty-day license plates issued pursuant to section 60-382;
- $(\underline{25}\ \underline{24})$ Passenger car having a seating capacity of ten persons or less and not used for hire issued pursuant to section 60-3,143 other than autocycles;
- $(26\ 25)$ Passenger car having a seating capacity of ten persons or less and used for hire issued pursuant to section 60-3,143 other than autocycles;
- $(27\ 26)$ Pearl Harbor license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,122; $(28\ 27)$ Personal-use dealer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,116;
- $(29^{'}28)$ Personalized message license plates for motor vehicles and cabin trailers, except commercial motor vehicles registered for over ten tons gross weight, issued pursuant to sections 60-3,118 to 60-3,121;
- (30 29)Prisoner-of-war license plates issued 60-3,123;
 - (31 30) Purple Heart license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,125;
- (32 31) Recreational vehicle license plates issued pursuant to section
- $(33^{'}32)$ Repossession license plates issued pursuant to section 60-375; $(34^{'}33)$ Special interest motor vehicle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,135.01;
- $(35\ 34)$ Specialty license plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,104.01 and 60-3,104.02;
- $(36\ 35)$ Trailer license plates issued for trailers owned or operated by state, counties, municipalities, or school districts issued pursuant to state, section 60-3,106;
 - $(37\ 36)$ Trailer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100; $(38\ 37)$ Trailers exempt pursuant to section 60-3,108;

 - $(\overline{39} \ 38)$ Transporter license plates issued pursuant to section 60-378;
- $(\overline{40}$ $\overline{39})$ Trucks or combinations of trucks, truck-tractors, or trailers which are not for hire and engaged in soil and water conservation work and used for the purpose of transporting pipe and equipment exclusively used by such contractors for soil and water conservation construction license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,149;
- (<u>41</u> 40) Utility trailer license plates issued pursuant to section
- 60-3, $\overline{151}$; and $(\underline{42}\ 4\underline{1})$ Well-boring apparatus and well-servicing equipment license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,109.
- Sec. 13. Section 60-3,113, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:
- 60-3,113 (1) The department shall, without the payment of any fee except taxes and fees required by sections 60-3,102, 60-3,185, 60-3,190, and 60-3,191, issue license plates for one motor vehicle not used for hire and a
- license plate for one <u>autocycle or motorcycle</u> not used for hire and a license plate for one <u>autocycle or motorcycle</u> not used for hire to:

 (a) Any permanently handicapped or disabled person or his or her parent, legal guardian, foster parent, or agent upon application and proof of a permanent handicap or disability; or

 (b) A trust which owns the motor vehicle, <u>autocycle</u>, or motorcycle if a designated beneficiary of the trust qualifies under subdivision (a) of this
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- An application and proof of disability in the form and with the information required by section 60-3,113.02 shall be submitted before license plates are issued or reissued.
- (2) The license plate or plates shall carry the internationally accepted wheelchair symbol, which symbol is a representation of a person seated in a wheelchair surrounded by a border six units wide by seven units high, and such other letters or numbers as the director prescribes. Such license plate or plates shall be used by such person in lieu of the usual license plate or plates.
- (3) The department shall compile and maintain a registry of the names, addresses, and license numbers of all persons who obtain special license plates pursuant to this section and all persons who obtain a handicapped or disabled parking permit.
- Section 60-3,118, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, Sec. 14. amended to read:
- 60-3,118 (1) In lieu of the license plates provided for by section 60-3,100, the department shall issue personalized message license plates for motor vehicles, trailers, semitrailers, or cabin trailers, except for motor vehicles and trailers registered under section 60-3,198, to all applicants who meet the requirements of sections 60-3,119 to 60-3,121. Personalized message license plates shall be the same size and of the same basic design as regular license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100. The characters used shall

consist only of letters and numerals of the same size and design and shall comply with the requirements of subdivision (1)(a) of section 60-3,100. A maximum of seven characters may be used, except that for <u>an autocycle or motorcycle motorcycles</u>, a maximum of six characters may be used.

- (2) The following conditions apply to all personalized message license plates:
- (a) County prefixes shall not be allowed except in counties using the alphanumeric system for motor vehicle registration. The numerals in the county prefix shall be the numerals assigned to the county, pursuant to subsection (2) of section 60-370, in which the motor vehicle or cabin trailer is registered. Renewal of a personalized message license plate containing a county prefix shall be conditioned upon the motor vehicle or cabin trailer being registered in such county. The numerals in the county prefix, including the hyphen or any other unique design for an existing license plate style, count against the maximum number of characters allowed under this section;

 (b) The characters in the order used shall not conflict with or duplicate any number used or to be used on the regular license plates or any number or
- license plate already approved pursuant to sections 60-3,118 to 60-3,121;
- (c) The characters in the order used shall not express, connote, or imply any obscene or objectionable words or abbreviations; and
- (d) An applicant receiving a personalized message license plate for a farm truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons or a commercial truck or truck-tractor with a gross weight of five tons or over shall affix the appropriate tonnage decal to such license plate.
- (3) The department shall have sole authority to determine conditions prescribed in subsection (2) of this section have been met. to determine
- Sec. 15. Section 60-3,135.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:
- 60-3,135.01 (1) The department shall either modify an existing plate design or design license plates to identify special interest motor vehicles, to be known as special interest motor vehicle license plates. The department, in designing such special interest motor vehicle license plates, shall include the words special interest and limit the manufacturing cost of each plate to an amount less than or equal to the amount charged for license plates pursuant to section 60-3,102. The department shall choose the design of the plate. The department shall make applications available for this type of plate when it is designed.
- (2) One type of special interest motor vehicle license plate shall be alphanumeric plates. The department shall:
 - (a) Assign a designation up to seven characters; and
 - (b) Not use a county designation.
- (3) One type of special interest motor vehicle license plate shall be personalized message plates. Such plates shall be issued subject to the same conditions specified for personalized message license plates 60-3,118.
- (4) A person may apply to the department for a special interest motor vehicle license plate in lieu of regular license plates on an application prescribed and provided by the department for any special interest motor vehicle, except that no for a motor vehicle registered under section 60-3,198, <u>autocycle</u>, <u>motorcycle</u>, or trailer<u>shall be eligible for special interest motorvehicle license plates</u>. The department shall make forms available for such applications through the county treasurers.
- (5) The form shall contain a description of the special interest motor vehicle owned and sought to be registered, including the make, body type, model, serial number, and year of manufacture.

 (6)(a) In addition to all other fees required to register a motor vehicle,
- each application for initial issuance or renewal of a special interest motor vehicle license plate shall be accompanied by a special interest motor vehicle license plate fee of fifty dollars. Twenty-five dollars of the special interest motor vehicle license plate fee shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund, and twenty-five dollars of the special interest motor vehicle license plate fee shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Highway Trust Fund.

 (b) If a special interest motor vehicle license plate is lost, stolen, or mutilated, the owner shall be issued a replacement license plate pursuant to
- section 60-3,157.
- (7) When the department receives an application for a special interest motor vehicle license plate, the department shall deliver the plate to the county treasurer of the county in which the special interest motor vehicle is registered. The county treasurer shall issue the special interest motor vehicle license plate in lieu of regular license plates when the applicant complies with the other provisions of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act for registration of the special interest motor vehicle.
- (8) If the cost of manufacturing special interest motor vehicle license plates at any time exceeds the amount charged for license plates pursuant to section 60-3,102, any money to be credited to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund under this section shall instead be credited first to the Highway Trust Fund in an amount equal to the difference between the manufacturing costs of special interest motor vehicle license plates and the amount charged pursuant to section 60-3,102 with respect to such license plates and the remainder shall be credited to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

 (9) The special interest motor vehicle license plate shall be affixed to
- the rear of the special interest motor vehicle.

(10) A special interest motor vehicle shall not be used for the same purposes and under the same conditions as other motor vehicles of the same type and shall not be used for business or occupation or regularly for transportation to and from work. A special interest motor vehicle may be driven

on the public streets and roads only for occasional transportation, public displays, parades, and related pleasure or hobby activities.

(11) It shall be unlawful to own or operate a motor vehicle with special interest motor vehicle license plates in violation of this section. Upon conviction of a violation of any provision of this section, a person shall be quilty of a Class V misdemeanor.

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(12) For purposes of this section, special interest motor vehicle means a motor vehicle of any age which is being collected, preserved, restored, or maintained by the owner as a leisure pursuit and not used for general transportation of persons or cargo.

Sec. 16. Section 60-3,143, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

- 60-3,143 (1) For autocycles, the registration fee shall be fifteen <u>dollars.</u>
- $(\underline{2}$ 1) For every motor vehicle of ten-passenger capacity or less and not used for hire, the registration fee shall be fifteen dollars.
- $(\underline{3}\ 2)$ For each motor vehicle having a seating capacity of ten persons or less and used for hire, the registration fee shall be six dollars plus an additional four dollars for every person such motor vehicle is equipped to carry in addition to the driver.
- $(\underline{4} \ 3)$ For motor vehicles leased for hire when no driver or chauffeur is furnished by the lessor as part of the consideration paid for by the lessee, incident to the operation of the leased motor vehicle, the fee shall be fifteen dollars.
- Sec. 17. Section 60-3,187, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:
 60-3,187 (1) The motor vehicle tax schedules are set out in this section.
- (2) The motor vehicle tax shall be calculated by multiplying the base tax times the fraction which corresponds to the age category of the vehicle as shown in the following table:

YEAR	FRACTION
First	1.00
Second	0.90
Third	0.80
Fourth	0.70
Fifth	0.60
Sixth	0.51
Seventh	0.42
Eighth	0.33
Ninth	0.24
Tenth and Eleventh	0.15
Twelfth and Thirteenth	0.07
Fourteenth and older	0.00

(3) The base tax shall be:

(a) Automobiles, autocycles, and motorcycles - An amount determined using the following table:

Value when new	Base tax
Up to \$3,999	\$ 25
\$4,000 to \$5,999	35
\$6,000 to \$7,999	45
\$8,000 to \$9,999	60
\$10,000 to \$11,999	100
\$12,000 to \$13,999	140
\$14,000 to \$15,999	180

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\$16,000 to \$17,999	220
\$18,000 to \$19,999	260
\$20,000 to \$21,999	300
\$22,000 to \$23,999	340
\$24,000 to \$25,999	380
\$26,000 to \$27,999	420
\$28,000 to \$29,999	460
\$30,000 to \$31,999	500
\$32,000 to \$33,999	540
\$34,000 to \$35,999	580
\$36,000 to \$37,999	620
\$38,000 to \$39,999	660
\$40,000 to \$41,999	700
\$42,000 to \$43,999	740
\$44,000 to \$45,999	780
\$46,000 to \$47,999	820
\$48,000 to \$49,999	860
\$50,000 to \$51,999	900
\$52,000 to \$53,999	940
\$54,000 to \$55,999	980
\$56,000 to \$57,999	1,020
\$58,000 to \$59,999	1,060
\$60,000 to \$61,999	1,100
\$62,000 to \$63,999	1,140
\$64,000 to \$65,999	1,180
\$66,000 to \$67,999	1,220
\$68,000 to \$69,999	1,260
\$70,000 to \$71,999	1,300
\$72,000 to \$73,999	1,340
\$74,000 to \$75,999	1,380
\$76,000 to \$77,999	1,420
\$78,000 to \$79,999	1,460
\$80,000 to \$81,999	1,500
\$82,000 to \$83,999	1,540
\$84,000 to \$85,999	1,580
\$86,000 to \$87,999	1,620
\$88,000 to \$89,999	1,660
\$90,000 to \$91,999	1,700
\$92,000 to \$93,999	1,740

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\$94,000 to \$95,999	1,780
\$96,000 to \$97,999	1,820
\$98,000 to \$99,999	1,860
\$100,000 and over	1,900

- (b) Assembled automobiles \$60
- (c) Assembled motorcycles \$25
- (d) Cabin trailers, up to one thousand pounds \$10
- (e) Cabin trailers, one thousand pounds and over and less than two thousand pounds — \$25
 - (f) Cabin trailers, two thousand pounds and over \$40
 - (g) Recreational vehicles, less than eight thousand pounds \$160
- (h) Recreational vehicles, eight thousand pounds and over and less than twelve thousand pounds — \$410
- (i) Recreational vehicles, twelve thousand pounds and over \$860(j) Assembled recreational vehicles and buses shall follow the schedules for body type and registered weight
 - (k) Trucks Over seven tons and less than ten tons \$360
 - (1) Trucks Ten tons and over and less than thirteen tons \$560 (m) Trucks Thirteen tons and over and less than sixteen tons \$760

 - (n) Trucks Sixteen tons and over and less than twenty-five tons \$960
 - (o) Trucks Twenty-five tons and over \$1,160
 - (p) Buses \$360
 - (q) Trailers other than semitrailers \$10
 - (r) Semitrailers \$110
 - (s) Minitrucks \$50
 - (t) Low-speed vehicles \$50
- (4) For purposes of subsection (3) of this section, truck means all trucks and combinations of trucks except those trucks, trailers, or combinations thereof registered under section 60-3,198, and the tax is based on the gross vehicle weight rating as reported by the manufacturer.
- (5) Current model year vehicles are designated as first-year motor vehicles for purposes of the schedules.
- (6) When a motor vehicle is registered which is newer than the current model year by the manufacturer's designation, the motor vehicle is subject to the initial motor vehicle tax in the first registration period and ninety-five percent of the initial motor vehicle tax in the second registration period.

 (7) Assembled cabin trailers, assembled recreational vehicles, and assembled buses shall be designated as sixth-year motor vehicles in their first
- year of registration for purposes of the schedules.
- (8) When a motor vehicle is registered which is required to have a title branded as previous salvage pursuant to section 60-175, the motor vehicle tax shall be reduced by twenty-five percent.
- Sec. 18. Section 60-3,190, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:
- 60-3,190 (1) A motor vehicle fee is imposed on all motor vehicles registered for operation in this state. An owner of a motor vehicle which is exempt from the imposition of a motor vehicle tax pursuant to section 60-3,185 shall also be exempt from the imposition of the motor vehicle fee imposed pursuant to this section.
- (2) The department shall annually determine the motor vehicle fee on each motor vehicle registered pursuant to this section and shall cause a notice of the amount to be delivered to the registrant. The notice shall be combined with
- the notice of the motor vehicle tax required by section 60-3,186.
 (3) The motor vehicle fee schedules are set out in this subsection and subsection (4) of this section. Except for automobiles with a value when new of less than \$20,000, and for assembled automobiles, the fee shall be calculated by multiplying the base fee times the fraction which corresponds to the age category of the automobile as shown in the following table:

YEAR **FRACTION** First through fifth 1.00 Sixth through tenth .70 .35 Eleventh and over

- (4) The base fee shall be:
- (a) Automobiles, with a value when new of less than \$20,000, and assembled automobiles - \$5
 - (b) Automobiles, with a value when new of \$20,000 through \$39,999 \$20(c) Automobiles, with a value when new of \$40,000 or more \$30(d) Motorcycles \$10

 - (e) Recreational vehicles and cabin trailers \$10
 (f) Trucks over seven tons and buses \$30
 (g) Trailers other than semitrailers \$10

 - (h) Semitrailers \$30
 - (i) Minitrucks \$10
 - (j) Low-speed vehicles \$10-

(k) Autocycles - \$10.

(5) The motor vehicle tax, motor vehicle fee, and registration fee shall be paid to the county treasurer prior to the registration of the motor vehicle for the following registration period. After retaining one percent of the motor vehicle fee collected for costs, the remaining proceeds shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Motor Vehicle Fee Fund. The State Treasurer shall return funds from the Motor Vehicle Fee Fund remitted by a

Treasurer shall return funds from the Motor Vehicle Fee Fund remitted by a county treasurer which are needed for refunds or credits authorized by law.

(6)(a) The Motor Vehicle Fee Fund is created. On or before the last day of each calendar quarter, the State Treasurer shall distribute all funds in the Motor Vehicle Fee Fund as follows: (i) Fifty percent to the county treasurer of each county, amounts in the same proportion as the most recent allocation received by each county from the Highway Allocation Fund; and (ii) fifty percent to the treasurer of each municipality, amounts in the same proportion as the most recent allocation received by each municipality from the Highway Allocation Fund. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

(b) Funds from the Motor Vehicle Fee Fund shall be considered local

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(c) All receipts by counties and municipalities from the Motor Vehicle Fee

Fund shall be used for road, bridge, and street purposes.

(7) For purposes of subdivisions (4)(a), (b), (c), and (f) of this section, automobiles or trucks includes all trucks and combinations of trucks or truck-tractors, except those trucks, trailers, or semitrailers registered under section 60-3,198, and the fee is based on the gross vehicle weight rating as reported by the manufacturer.

(8) Current model year vehicles are designated as first-year motor vehicles for purposes of the schedules.

(9) When a motor vehicle is registered which is newer than the current model year by the manufacturer's designation, the motor vehicle is subject to the initial motor vehicle fee for six registration periods.

(10) Assembled vehicles other than assembled automobiles shall follow the schedules for the motor vehicle body type.

Sec. 19. Section 60-462, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

60-462 Sections 60-462 to 60-4,189 <u>and section 21 of this act</u>shall be known and may be cited as the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act.

Sec. 20. Section 60-463, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

60-463 For purposes of the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act, the definitions found in sections 60-463.01 to 60-478 <u>and section 21 of this act</u>

Sec. 21. <u>Autocycle means any motor vehicle (1) having a seat that does not require the operator to straddle or sit astride it, (2) designed to travel</u> on three wheels in contact with the ground, (3) in which the operator and passenger ride either side by side or in tandem in a seating area that is completely enclosed with a removable or fixed top and is equipped with manufacturer-installed air bags, a manufacturer-installed roll cage, and for each occupant a manufacturer-installed three-point safety belt system, (4) having antilock brakes, and (5) designed to be controlled with a steering wheel <u>and pedals.</u>

Sec. 22. Section 60-4,114, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

60-4,114 (1) The county treasurer may employ such additional clerical help as may be necessary to assist him or her in the performance of the ministerial duties required of him or her under the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act and, for such additional expense, shall be reimbursed as set out in section 60-4,115.

(2) The director may, in his or her discretion, appoint department personnel to examine all applicants who apply for an initial license or whose licenses have been revoked or canceled to ascertain such person's ability to

operate a motor vehicle properly and safely.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in section 60-4,122, the application process, in addition to the other requisites of the act, shall include the following:

(a) An inquiry into the medical condition and visual ability of the applicant to operate a motor vehicle;

(b) An inquiry into the applicant's ability to drive and maneuver a motor le, except that no driving skills test shall be conducted using an <u>autocycle</u>; and

(c) An inquiry touching upon the applicant's knowledge of the motor vehicle laws of this state, which shall include sufficient questions to indicate familiarity with the provisions thereof.

(4) If an applicant is denied or refused a certificate for license, such

applicant shall have the right to an immediate appeal to the director from the decision. It shall be the duty of the director to review the appeal and issue a final order, to be made not later than ten days after the receipt of the appeal by the director, except that if the director requests the advice of the Health Advisory Board on the matter, the director shall have up to forty-five days after the day a medical or vision problem is referred to him or her to consult with members of the board to obtain the medical opinion necessary to make a decision and shall issue a final order not later than ten days following

receipt of the medical opinion. After consideration of the advice of the board, the director shall make a determination of the applicant's physical or mental ability to operate a motor vehicle and shall issue a final order. The order shall be in writing, shall be accompanied by findings of fact and conclusions of law, and shall be sent by regular United States mail to the applicant's last-known address. The order may be appealed as provided in section 60-4,105.

Sec. 23. Section 60-4,123, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, amended to read:

60-4,123 (1) Any person who is at least fifteen years of age may apply for an LPD-learner's permit from the department. In order to obtain an LPD-learner's permit, the applicant shall successfully complete a written examination. A person may take the written examination beginning sixty days prior to his or her fifteenth birthday but shall not be issued a permit until he or she is fifteen years of age. The written examination may be waived for any person who has been issued an LPE-learner's permit, LPD-learner's permit, or SCP-school permit that has been expired for no more than one year.

(2) Upon successful completion of the written examination and the payment of a fee and surcharge as prescribed in section 60-4,115, the applicant shall be issued an LPD-learner's permit as provided in section 60-4,113. The permit shall be valid for twelve months.

(3)(a) The holder of an LPD-learner's permit shall only operate a motor vehicle on the highways of this state if he or she is accompanied at all times by a licensed operator who is at least twenty-one years of age and who has been licensed by this state or another state and if (i) for all motor vehicles other than autocycles, motorcycles, or mopeds, he or she is actually occupying the seat beside the licensed operator, (ii) in the case of an autocycle, he or she is actually occupying the seat beside or in front of the licensed operator, or (iii) or, in the case of a motorcycle or moped, if he or she is within visual contact of and under the supervision of, in the case of a motorcycle, a licensed motorcycle operator or, in the case of a moped, a licensed motor vehicle operator vehicle operator.

(b) The holder of an LPD-learner's permit shall not use any type of interactive wireless communication device while operating a motor vehicle on the highways of this state. Enforcement of this subdivision shall be accomplished only as a secondary action when the holder of the LPD-learner's permit has been cited or charged with a violation of some other law.

(4) The county treasurer shall collect the fee and surcharge prescribed in section 60-4,115 for the issuance of each LPD-learner's permit.

Sec. 24. Section 60-4,123.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

60-4,123.01 For purposes of driver training, any Any person who has attained or will attain the age of fourteen years on or before October 15 of the current year may operate a motor vehicle, other than an autocycle, upon the highways of this state if he or she is accompanied or, in the case of a motorcycle or moped, supervised at all times by a licensed operator who is a driver training instructor certified by the Commissioner of Education.

Sec. 25. Section 60-4,124, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

60-4,124 (1) A person who is younger than sixteen years and three months of age but is older than fourteen years and two months of age may be issued a school permit if such person lives a distance of one and one-half miles or more from the school he or she attends and either resides outside a city of the metropolitan, primary, or first class or attends a school which is outside a city of the metropolitan, primary, or first class and if such person has held an LPE-learner's permit for two months. A school permit shall not be issued until such person has demonstrated that he or she is capable of successfully operating a motor vehicle, moped, or motorcycle and has in his or her possession an issuance certificate authorizing the county treasurer to issue a school permit. In order to obtain an issuance certificate, the applicant shall present (a) proof of successful completion of a department-approved driver safety course which includes behind-the-wheel driving specifically emphasizing (i) the effects of the consumption of alcohol on a person operating a motor vehicle, (ii) occupant protection systems, (iii) risk assessment, and (iv) railroad crossing safety and (b)(i) proof of successful completion of a written examination and driving test administered by a driver safety course instructor or (ii) a certificate in a form prescribed by the department, signed by a parent, guardian, or licensed driver at least twenty-one years of age, parent, guardian, or licensed driver at least twenty-one years of age, verifying that the applicant has completed fifty hours of lawful motor vehicle operation, under conditions that reflect department-approved driver safety course curriculum, with a parent, guardian, or adult at least twenty-one years of age, who has a current Nebraska operator's license or who is licensed in another state. The department may waive the written examination if the applicant has been issued an LPE-learner's permit or LPD-learner's permit and if such permit is valid or has expired no more than one year prior to application. The written examination shall not be waived if the permit being applied for contains a class or endorsement which is different from the class applied for contains a class or endorsement which is different from the class or endorsement of the LPE-learner's permit.

(2) A person holding a school permit may operate a motor vehicle, moped,

or motorcycle or an autocycle:

(a) To and from where he or she attends school and between schools of enrollment over the most direct and accessible route by the nearest highway from his or her place of residence to transport such person or any family member who resides with such person to attend duly scheduled courses of

instruction and extracurricular or school-related activities at the school he or she attends; or

- (b) Under the personal supervision of a licensed operator. Such licensed operator shall be at least twenty-one years of age and licensed by this state or another state and shall (i) for all motor vehicles other than autocycles, motorcycles, or mopeds, actually occupy the seat beside the permitholder, (ii) in the case of an autocycle, actually occupy the seat beside or behind the permitholder, or (iii) or, in the case of a motorcycle or moped, if the permitholder is within visual contact of and under the supervision of, in the case of a motorcycle, a licensed motorcycle operator or, in the case of a moped, a licensed motor vehicle operator.
- moped, a licensed motor vehicle operator.

 (3) The holder of a school permit shall not use any type of interactive wireless communication device while operating a motor vehicle on the highways of this state. Enforcement of this subsection shall be accomplished only as a secondary action when the holder of the school permit has been cited or charged with a violation of some other law.
- (4) A person who is younger than sixteen years of age but is over fourteen years of age may be issued an LPE-learner's permit, which permit shall be valid for a period of three months. An LPE-learner's permit shall not be issued until such person successfully completes a written examination prescribed by the department and demonstrates that he or she has sufficient powers of eyesight to safely operate a motor vehicle, moped, or motorcycle or an autocycle.
- safely operate a motor vehicle, moped, or motorcycle or an autocycle.

 (5)(a) While holding the LPE-learner's permit, the person may operate a motor vehicle on the highways of this state if (i) for all motor vehicles other than autocycles, motorcycles, or mopeds, he or she has seated next to him or her a person who is a licensed operator, (ii) in the case of an autocycle, he or she has seated next to or behind him or her a person who is a licensed operator, or (iii) er, in the case of a motorcycle or moped, if he or she is within visual contact of and is under the supervision of a person who, in the case of a motorcycle, is a licensed motorcycle operator or, in the case of a moped, is a licensed motor vehicle operator. Such licensed motor vehicle or motorcycle operator shall be at least twenty-one years of age and licensed by this state or another state.
- this state or another state.

 (b) The holder of an LPE-learner's permit shall not use any type of interactive wireless communication device while operating a motor vehicle on the highways of this state. Enforcement of this subdivision shall be accomplished only as a secondary action when the holder of the LPE-learner's permit has been cited or charged with a violation of some other law.

 (6) The county treasurer shall collect the fee and surcharge prescribed in
- (6) The county treasurer shall collect the fee and surcharge prescribed in section 60-4,115 from each successful applicant for a school or LPE-learner's permit. All school permits shall be subject to impoundment or revocation under the terms of section 60-496. Any person who violates the terms of a school permit shall be guilty of an infraction and shall not be eligible for another school, farm, LPD-learner's, or LPE-learner's permit until he or she has attained the age of sixteen years.
- (7) Any person who holds a permit issued under this section and has violated subdivision (3)(b) or (c) of section 28-306, subdivision (3)(b) or (c) of section 28-394, or section 28-1254, 60-6,196, 60-6,197, or 60-6,197.06 shall not be eligible for an ignition interlock permit.
- Sec. 26. Section 60-4,182, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:
- 60-4,182 In order to prevent and eliminate successive traffic violations, there is hereby provided a point system dealing with traffic violations as disclosed by the files of the director. The following point system shall be adopted:
 - (1) Conviction of motor vehicle homicide 12 points;
- (2) Third offense drunken driving in violation of any city or village ordinance or of section 60-6,196, as disclosed by the records of the director, regardless of whether the trial court found the same to be a third offense 12 points;
- (3) Failure to stop and render aid as required under section 60-697 in the event of involvement in a motor vehicle accident resulting in the death or personal injury of another 6 points;
 (4) Failure to stop and report as required under section 60-696 or any
- (4) Failure to stop and report as required under section 60-696 or any city or village ordinance in the event of a motor vehicle accident resulting in property damage 6 points;

 (5) Driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcoholic liquor
- (5) Driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcoholic liquor or any drug or when such person has a concentration of eight-hundredths of one gram or more by weight of alcohol per one hundred milliliters of his or her blood or per two hundred ten liters of his or her breath in violation of any city or village ordinance or of section 60-6,196 6 points;
- (6) Willful reckless driving in violation of any city or village ordinance or of section 60-6,214 or 60-6,217 6 points;
- (7) Careless driving in violation of any city or village ordinance or of section 60-6,212 4 points;
- (8) Negligent driving in violation of any city or village ordinance 3 points;
- (9) Reckless driving in violation of any city or village ordinance or of section 60-6,213 5 points;
- (10) Speeding in violation of any city or village ordinance or any of sections 60-6,185 to 60-6,190 and 60-6,313:
 - (a) Not more than five miles per hour over the speed limit 1 point;
 - (b) More than five miles per hour but not more than ten miles per hour

over the speed limit - 2 points;

(c) More than ten miles per hour but not more than thirty-five miles per hour over the speed limit - 3 points, except that one point shall be assessed upon conviction of exceeding by not more than ten miles per hour, two points shall be assessed upon conviction of exceeding by more than ten miles per hour but not more than fifteen miles per hour, and three points shall be assessed upon conviction of exceeding by more than fifteen miles per hour but not more than thirty-five miles per hour the speed limits provided for in subdivision (1)(e), (f), (g), or (h) of section 60-6,186; and (d) More than thirty-five miles per hour over the speed limit - 4 points;

(11) Failure to yield to a pedestrian not resulting in bodily injury to a pedestrian - 2 points;

(12) Failure to yield to a pedestrian resulting in bodily injury to a pedestrian - 4 points;

(13) Using a handheld wireless communication device in violation of section 60-6,179.01 or texting while driving in violation of subsection (1) or (3) of section 60-6,179.02 - 3 points;

(14) Using a handheld mobile telephone in violation of subsection (2) or (4) of section 60-6,179.02 - 3 points;

(15) Unlawful obstruction or interference of the view of an operator in violation of section 60-6,256 - 1 point;
(16) A violation of subsection (1) of section 60-6,175 - 3 points; and
(17) All other traffic violations involving the operation of motor

vehicles by the operator for which reports to the Department of Motor Vehicles are required under sections 60-497.01 and 60-497.02 - 1 point.

Subdivision (17) of this section does not include violations involving an occupant protection system or a three-point safety belt system pursuant to section 60-6,270, parking violations, violations for operating a motor vehicle without a valid operator's license in the operator's possession, muffler violations, overwidth, overheight, or overlength violations, motorcycle or moped protective helmet violations, or overloading of trucks.

All such points shall be assessed against the driving record of the operator as of the date of the violation for which conviction was had. Points may be reduced by the department under section 60-4,188.

In all cases, the forfeiture of bail not vacated shall be regarded as a conviction to the conviction of the offence with which the operator was

equivalent to the conviction of the offense with which the operator charged.

The point system shall not apply to persons convicted of violations committed while operating a bicycle or an electric assistive mobility device as defined in section 60-618.02. traffic an electric personal

Sec. 27. Section 60-601, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

60-601 Sections 60-601 to 60-6,382 <u>and section 29 of this act</u>shall be

known and may be cited as the Nebraska Rules of the Road. Sec. 28. Section 60-605, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

60-605 For purposes of the Nebraska Rules of the Road, the definiti found in sections 60-606 to 60-676 and section 29 of this act shall be used. the definitions

Sec. 29. Autocycle means any motor vehicle (1) having a seat that does not require the operator to straddle or sit astride it, (2) designed to travel on three wheels in contact with the ground, (3) in which the operator and passenger ride either side by side or in tandem in a seating area that is completely enclosed with a removable or fixed top and is equipped with manufacturer-installed air bags, a manufacturer-installed roll cage, and for each occupant a manufacturer-installed three-point safety belt system, (4) having antilock brakes, and (5) designed to be controlled with a steering wheel and pedals.

Sec. 30. Section 60-639, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended read:

60-639 Motorcycle shall mean every motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, excluding <u>autocycles</u>, tractors, and electric personal assistive mobility devices.

Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, Sec. 31. Section 60-6,219, amended to read:

60-6,219 (1) Every motor vehicle upon a highway within this state during the period from sunset to sunrise and at any other time when there is not sufficient light to render clearly discernible persons or vehicles upon the highway at a distance of five hundred feet ahead shall be equipped with lighted headlights and taillights as respectively required in this section

- different classes of vehicles.

 (2) Every motor vehicle, other than <u>an autocycle</u>, a motorcycle, a road roller, or road machinery, shall be equipped with two or more headlights, at the front of and on opposite sides of the motor vehicle. The headlights shall comply with the requirements and limitations set forth in sections 60-6,221 and 60-6,223.
- (3) Every motor vehicle and trailer, other than <u>an autocycle</u>, a motorcycle, a road roller, or road machinery, shall be equipped with one or more taillights, at the rear of the motor vehicle or trailer, exhibiting a red light visible from a distance of at least five hundred feet to the rear of such vehicle.
- (4) Every <u>autocycle or motorcycle</u> shall be equipped with at least one and not more than two headlights and with a taillight exhibiting a red light

visible from a distance of at least five hundred feet to the rear of such autocycle or motorcycle. The headlights shall comply with the requirements and limitations set forth in sections 60-6,221 and 60-6,223.

- (5) The requirement in this section as to the distance from which lights must render obstructions visible or within which lights must be visible shall apply during the time stated in this section upon a straight, level, unlighted highway under normal atmospheric conditions.
- (6) It shall be unlawful for any owner or operator of any motor vehicle to operate such vehicle upon a highway unless:
- (a) The condition of the lights and electric circuit is such as to give
- substantially normal light output;

 (b) Each taillight shows red directly to the rear, the lens covering each taillight is unbroken, each taillight is securely fastened, and the electric circuit is free from grounds or shorts;
- There is no more than one spotlight except for law enforcement personnel, government employees, and public utility employees;
- (d) There are no more than two auxiliary driving lights and every such auxiliary light meets the requirements for auxiliary driving lights provided in section 60-6,225;
- If equipped with any lighting device, other than spotlights, or auxiliary driving lights, which projects a beam of light of an intensity greater than twenty-five candlepower, such lighting device meets the requirements of subsection (4) of section 60-6,225; and
- (f) If equipped with side cowl or fender lights, there are no more than two such lights and each such side cowl or fender light emits an amber or white light.
- Sec. 32. Section 60-6,226, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, amended to read:
- 60-6,226 (1) Any motor vehicle having four or more wheels which is manufactured or assembled, whether from a kit or otherwise, after January 1, 1954, designed or used for the purpose of carrying passengers or freight, any autocycle, or any trailer, in use on a highway, shall be equipped with brake
- and turnsignal lights in good working order.
 (2) Motorcycles, motor-driven cycles, motor scooters, bicycles, electric personal assistive mobility devices, vehicles used solely for agricultural purposes, vehicles not designed and intended primarily for use on a highway, and, during daylight hours, fertilizer trailers as defined in section 60-326 and implements of husbandry designed primarily or exclusively for use in agricultural operations shall not be required to have or maintain in working order signal lights required by this section, but they may be so equipped. The operator thereof shall comply with the requirements for utilizing hand arm signals or for utilizing such signal lights if the vehicle is so equipped.

 Sec. 33. Section 60-6,265, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- amended to read:
 - 60-6,265 For purposes of sections 60-6,266 to 60-6,273: , occupant
- (1) Occupant protection system means a system utilizing a lap belt, a shoulder belt, or any combination of belts installed in a motor vehicle which $(\underline{a}\ 1)$ restrains drivers and passengers and $(\underline{b}\ 2)$ conforms to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards, 49 C.F.R. 571.207, 571.208, 571.209, and 571.210, as such standards existed on January 1, 2009, or to the federal motor vehicle safety standards for passenger restraint systems applicable for the motor vehicle safety standards. vehicle's model year<u>; and</u> -
- (2) Three-point safety belt system means a system utilizing a combination of a lap belt and a shoulder belt installed in a motor vehicle which restrains <u>drivers and passengers.</u>
 Sec. 34. Section 60-6,266, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
- amended to read:
- 60-6,266 (1) Every motor vehicle designated by the manufacturer as 1973 year model or later operated on any highway, road, or street in this state, except farm tractors and implements of husbandry designed primarily or exclusively for use in agricultural operations, autocycles, motorcycles, motordriven cycles, mopeds, and buses, shall be equipped with an occupant protection system of a type which:
- $(\underline{a}\ 1)$ Meets the requirements of 49 C.F.R. 571.208, 571.209, and 571.210 as such regulations currently exist or as the regulations existed when the
- occupant protection system was originally installed by the manufacturer; or $(\underline{b}\ 2)$ If the occupant protection system has been replaced, meets the requirements of 49 C.F.R. 571.208, 571.209, and 571.210 that applied to the originally installed occupant protection system or of a more recently issued version of such regulations. The purchaser of any such vehicle may designate the make or brand of or furnish such occupant protection system to be installed.
- (2) Every autocycle shall be equipped with a three-point safety belt <u>system.</u>
- (3) Any person selling a motor vehicle in this state not in compliance with this section shall be guilty of a Class V misdemeanor.
- Sec. 35. Section 60-6,267, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:
- 60-6,267 (1) Any person in Nebraska who drives any motor vehicle which has or is required to have an occupant protection system or a three-point safety belt system shall ensure that all children up to six years of age being transported by such vehicle use a child passenger restraint system of a type which meets Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 213 as developed by the

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, as such standard existed on January 1, 2009, and which is correctly installed in such vehicle.

- (2) Any person in Nebraska who drives any motor vehicle which has or is required to have an occupant protection system or a three-point safety belt system shall ensure that all children six years of age and less than eighteen years of age being transported by such vehicle use an occupant protection
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) of this section apply to <u>autocycles and to</u> every motor vehicle which is equipped with an occupant protection system or is required to be equipped with restraint systems pursuant to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 208, as such standard existed on January 1, 2009, except taxicabs, mopeds, motorcycles, and any motor vehicle designated by the manufacturer as a 1963 year model or earlier which is not equipped with an occupant protection system.
- (4) Whenever any licensed physician determines, through accepted medical procedures, that use of a child passenger restraint system by a particular child would be harmful by reason of the child's weight, physical condition, or other medical reason, the provisions of subsection (1) or (2) of this section shall be waived. The driver of any vehicle transporting such a child shall carry on his or her person or in the vehicle a signed written statement of the physician identifying the child and stating the grounds for such waiver physician identifying the child and stating the grounds for such waiver.
- (5) The drivers of authorized emergency vehicles shall not be subject to the requirements of subsection (1) or (2) of this section when operating such authorized emergency vehicles pursuant to their employment.

 (6) A driver of a motor vehicle shall not be subject to the requirements of subsection (1) or (2) of this section if the motor vehicle is being operated in a parada or exhibition and the parada or exhibition is being operated.
- in a parade or exhibition and the parade or exhibition is being conducted in accordance with applicable state law and local ordinances and resolutions.
- (7) The Department of Roads shall develop and implement an ongoing statewide public information and education program regarding the use of child passenger restraint systems and occupant protection systems and the availability of distribution and discount programs for child passenger
- restraint systems.

 (8) All persons being transported by a motor vehicle operated by a holder of a provisional operator's permit or a school permit shall use such motor vehicle's occupant protection system or a three-point safety belt system. Sec. 36. Section 60-6,270, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebrasl
- of Nebraska, amended to read:
- 60-6,270 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) or (3) of this section, no driver shall operate a motor vehicle upon a highway or street in this state unless the driver and each front-seat occupant in the vehicle are wearing occupant protection systems and all occupant protection systems worn are properly adjusted and fastened.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section, no driver shall operate an autocycle upon a highway or street of this state unless the driver is wearing a three-point safety belt system and it is properly adjusted and fastened.
- $(\underline{3}\ 2)$ The following persons shall not be required to wear an occupant protection system or a three-point safety belt system:
- (a) A person who possesses written verification from a physician that the person is unable to wear an occupant protection system or a three-point safety system for medical reasons;
- (b) A rural letter carrier of the United States Postal Service while performing his or her duties as a rural letter carrier between the first and last delivery points; and (c) A member of an emergency medical service while involved in patient
- $(\underline{4}\ 3)$ For purposes of this section, motor vehicle <u>means</u> shall mean a vehicle required by section 60-6,266 to be equipped with an occupant protection system or a three-point safety belt system.
- 37. Section 60-6,272, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 60-6,272 Any person who violates section 60-6,270 shall be guilty of a traffic infraction and shall be fined twenty-five dollars, but no court costs shall be assessed against him or her nor shall any points be assessed against the driving record of such person. Regardless of the number of persons in such vehicle not wearing an occupant protection system or a three-point safety belt <u>system</u> pursuant to such section, only one violation shall be assessed against the driver of such motor vehicle for each time the motor vehicle is stopped and a violation of such section is found.
- Sec. 38. Section 60-6,273, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, amended to read:
- 60-6,273 Evidence that a person was not wearing an occupant protection system <u>or a three-point safety belt system</u> at the time he or she was injured shall not be admissible in regard to the issue of liability or proximate cause but may be admissible as evidence concerning mitigation of damages, except that
- it shall not reduce recovery for damages by more than five percent.

 Sec. 39. Section 60-1401, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:
- 60-1401 Sections 60-1401 to 60-1440 and section 41 of this act shall be
- known and may be cited as the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act.

 Any amendments to the act shall apply to franchises subject to the act which are entered into, amended, altered, modified, renewed, or extended after

the date of the amendments to the act except as otherwise specifically provided in the act.

All amendments to the act shall apply upon the issuance or renewal of a dealer's or manufacturer's license.

Sec. 40. Section 60-1401.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

60-1401.02 For purposes of the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act, the definitions found in sections 60-1401.03 to 60-1401.40 and section 41 of this <u>act</u>apply.

Autocycle means any motor vehicle (1) having a seat that does not require the operator to straddle or sit astride it, (2) designed to travel on three wheels in contact with the ground, (3) in which the operator and passenger ride either side by side or in tandem in a seating area that is completely enclosed with a removable or fixed top and is equipped with manufacturer-installed air bags, a manufacturer-installed roll cage, and for each occupant a manufacturer-installed three-point safety belt system, (4) having antilock brakes, and (5) designed to be controlled with a steering wheel and pedals.

Section 60-1401.28, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is Sec. 42. amended to read:

60-1401.28 Motorcycle means every motor vehicle, except a tractor, having a seat or saddle for use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground and for which evidence of title is required as a condition precedent to registration under the laws of this state. Motorcycle does not include an autocycle.

Sec. 43. Section 71-1907, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

71-1907 Any person furnishing foster care who is subject to licensure under section 71-1902 or the Children's Residential Facilities and Placing Licensure Act, when transporting in a motor vehicle any children for whom care is being furnished, shall use an approved child passenger restraint system for each child, except that an occupant protection system or a three-point safety belt system as defined in section 60-6,265 may be used for any child six years of age or older.

Any person violating this section shall be guilty of an infraction as defined in section 29-431 and shall have his or her license to furnish foster care revoked or suspended by the Department of Health and Human Services.

For purposes of this section, approved child passenger restraint system shall mean a restraint system which meets Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 213 as developed by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, as such

standard existed on July 20, 2002. Sec. 44. Original sections 44-7703, 60-124, 60-340, 60-376, 60-3,118, 60-3,143, 60-4,123, 60-4,123.01, 60-639, 60-6,219, 60-6,226, 60-6,265, 60-6,266, 60-6,270, 60-6,272, 60-6,273, 60-1401.02, and 60-1401.28, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 60-101, 60-102, 60-301, 60-302, 60-3,100, 60-3,104, 60-3,113, 60-3,135.01, 60-3,187, 60-3,190, 60-462, 60-463, 60-4,114, 60-4,124, 60-4,182, 60-601, 60-605, 60-6,267, 60-1401, and 71-1907, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, are repealed.