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H.B. No. 111

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility requirements for the issuance of a driver's license, commercial driver's license, or commercial driver learner's permit, that authorizes the license or permit holder to operate a motorcycle in this state.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 521, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 521.148 to read as follows:

Sec. 521.148. APPLICATION FOR CLASS M DRIVER'S LICENSE OR AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE A MOTORCYCLE. (a) An applicant for an original Class M driver's license or Class A, B, or C driver's license that includes an authorization to operate a motorcycle must furnish to the department evidence satisfactory to the department that the applicant has successfully completed a basic motorcycle operator training course approved by the department under Chapter 662.

(b) The department may not issue an original Class M driver's license or Class A, B, or C driver's license that includes an authorization to operate a motorcycle to an applicant who fails to comply with Subsection (a).

SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 522, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 522.034 to read as follows:

Sec. 522.034. APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE A MOTORCYCLE. (a) An applicant for an original commercial driver's

1 license or commercial driver learner's permit that includes an
2 authorization to operate a motorcycle must furnish to the
3 department evidence satisfactory to the department that the
4 applicant has successfully completed a basic motorcycle operator
5 training course approved by the department under Chapter 662.

6 (b) The department may not issue an original commercial
7 driver's license or commercial driver learner's permit that
8 includes an authorization to operate a motorcycle to an applicant
9 who fails to comply with Subsection (a).

10 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect November 1, 2003.