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H.B. No. 2595

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility requirements for the issuance or renewal of a driver's license that authorizes the license 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 or renewal of a Class M driver's license or of a 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 or renewal 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. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.