HOUSE BILL NO. 4844

May 18, 2021, Introduced by Reps. Slagh, Wozniak, Paquette, Brann, Hood, Fink, Beson, Bezotte, Beeler, Cambensy, Haadsma, LaGrand, Hoitenga, Yaroch, Green, Whitsett and Anthony and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending sections 801k and 811 (MCL 257.801k and 257.811), section 801k as amended by 2020 PA 304 and section 811 as amended by 2006 PA 589.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 801k. (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions in this
 chapter, late fees must not be assessed on the following vehicles:
 (a) A vehicle registered under section 801(1)(j) or (k) or

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section 801g whose registration expires on or after March 1, 2020
 and whose registration is renewed before March 31, 2021.

3 (b) All other vehicles registered under this chapter whose
4 registration expires on or after March 1, 2020 and whose
5 registration is renewed before March 31, 2021.

6 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision in this chapter, 7 beginning March 31, 2021, if a registration is expired at the time 8 of renewal, the department shall not charge a late fee or upon the 9 applicant's request shall reimburse a late fee charged and 10 collected if both of the following apply:

11 (a) The applicant registered for the in-person registration12 renewal appointment before the expiration date.

13 (b) The registration has not been expired for more than 9014 days.

Sec. 811. (1) An application for an original operator's or an original or renewal chauffeur's license as provided in sections 307 and 312 and an application for an original minor's restricted license as provided in section 312 shall must be accompanied by the following fees:

20	Operator's license	\$ 25.00
21	Chauffeur's license	35.00
22	Minor's restricted license	25.00

The renewal fee for an operator's license renewed under this section is \$18.00. However, Except as provided in subsections (4) and (5), if an operator's license is expired at the time of the renewal, the fee is the same as the original fee. , except as provided in subsection (4). The date of an application for a renewal of an operator's license under this section that is delivered to the secretary of state by regular mail is the postmark 1

date in determining the fee to be assessed.

(2) The secretary of state shall deposit the money received 2 and collected under subsection (1) in the state treasury to the 3 credit of the general fund. The secretary of state shall refund out 4 5 of the fees collected to each county or municipality acting as an 6 examining officer or examining bureau \$2.50 for each applicant examined for an original license, \$1.00 for each applicant examined 7 for an original chauffeur's license, and \$1.00 for every other 8 applicant examined, if the application is not denied and the money 9 10 refunded is paid to the county or local treasurer and is 11 appropriated to the county, municipality, or officer or bureau receiving the money for the purpose of carrying out this act. The 12 state treasurer shall deposit the sum of \$4.00 in the traffic law 13 14 enforcement and safety fund created in section 819a for each person 15 examined for an original license, a renewal operator's license, an 16 original chauffeur's license, or a renewal chauffeur's license, 17 except that the sum deposited for each 2-year operator's or 2-year chauffeur's license shall be is \$2.00. 18

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(3) Notwithstanding sections 306 and 308, an operator's 19 20 license shall must not be issued to a person under 18 years of age unless that person successfully passes a driver education course 21 and examination given by a school licensed under the driver 22 education and training schools act, 1974 PA 369, MCL 256.601 to 23 24 256.612. driver education provider that has been certified to 25 provide teen driver training under the driver education provider and instructor act, 2006 PA 384, MCL 256.621 to 256.705. A person 26 27 who has been a holder of a motor vehicle operator's license issued by any other state, territory, or possession of the United States, 28 or any other sovereignty for 1 year immediately before application 29

for an operator's license under this act is not required to comply
 with this subsection. Restricted licenses may be issued pursuant to
 section 312 without compliance with this subsection.

4 (4) A person who is on active military service at the time his
5 or her operator's license expires shall must be charged the renewal
6 rate for renewing his or her operator's license under this section
7 if all of the following apply:

8 (a) He or she applies for renewal within 30 days of returning9 to this state from active duty.

10 (b) He or she held a valid, unexpired operator's license from 11 this state immediately prior to leaving this state for active 12 military service.

13 (c) He or she presents such documentation as the secretary of14 state requires to establish eligibility under this subsection.

15 (5) Beginning March 31, 2021, if an operator's license is 16 expired at the time of the renewal, the department shall charge the 17 applicant the renewal fee or upon request shall reimburse the 18 applicant the difference between the renewal fee and the original 19 fee charged and collected if both of the following apply:

20 (a) The applicant registered for an in-person operator's
21 license renewal appointment before the expiration date.

(b) The operator's license has not been expired for more than90 days.

Enacting section 1. Sections 801k(2) and 811(5) of the
Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.801k and 257.811, as
added by this amendatory act, are intended to be retroactive and
apply retroactively to fees charged on or after March 31, 2021.

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