HOUSE BILL No. 5950

May 27, 2004, Introduced by Rep. Wenke and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

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

by amending section 310e (MCL 257.310e), as amended by 2004 PA 71.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 310e. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this act, an
- 2 operator's or chauffeur's license issued to a person who is 17
- 3 years of age or less shall be in a form as prescribed in section
- 4 310 beginning July 1, 2003, and is valid only upon the issuance
- 5 of a graduated driver license.
 - (2) The secretary of state shall designate graduated
 - licensing provisions in a manner that clearly indicates that the
- 8 person is subject to the appropriate provisions described in this
- 9 section.
 - (3) Except as otherwise provided in section 303, a person who

- 1 is not less than 14 years and 9 months of age may be issued a
- 2 level 1 graduated licensing status to operate a motor vehicle if
- 3 the person has satisfied all of the following conditions:
- 4 (a) Passed a vision test and met health standards as
- 5 prescribed by the secretary of state.
- **6** (b) Successfully completed segment 1 of a driver education
- 7 course as that term is defined in section 1 of the driver
- 8 education and training schools act, 1974 PA 369, MCL 256.601,
- 9 including a minimum of 6 hours of on-the-road driving time with
- 10 the instructor.
- 11 (c) Received written approval of a parent or legal guardian.
- 12 (4) A person issued a level 1 graduated licensing status may
- 13 operate a motor vehicle only when accompanied either by a
- 14 licensed parent or legal guardian or, with the permission of the
- 15 parent or legal guardian, a licensed driver 21 years of age or
- 16 older. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person is
- 17 restricted to operating a motor vehicle with a level 1 graduated
- 18 licensing status for not less than 6 months.
- 19 (5) A person issued a level 1 graduated licensing status
- 20 shall not operate a motor vehicle if the person accompanying him
- 21 or her would be in violation of section 306a. A person who
- 22 violates this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- 23 (6) -(5)— A person may be issued a level 2 graduated
- 24 licensing status to operate a motor vehicle if the person has
- 25 satisfied all of the following conditions:
- (a) Had a level 1 graduated licensing status for not less
- 27 than 6 months.

- 1 (b) Successfully completed segment 2 of a driver education
- 2 course as that term is defined in section 1 of the driver
- 3 education and training schools act, 1974 PA 369, MCL 256.601.
- 4 (c) Not incurred a moving violation resulting in a conviction
- 5 or civil infraction determination or been involved in an accident
- 6 for which the official police report indicates a moving violation
- 7 on the part of the person during the 90-day period immediately
- 8 preceding application.
- 9 (d) Presented a certification by the parent or guardian that
- 10 he or she, accompanied by his or her licensed parent or legal
- 11 guardian or, with the permission of the parent or legal guardian,
- 12 any licensed driver 21 years of age or older, has accumulated a
- 13 total of not less than 50 hours of behind-the-wheel experience
- 14 including not less than 10 nighttime hours.
- (e) Successfully completed a secretary of state approved
- 16 performance road test. The secretary of state may enter into an
- 17 agreement with another public or private person or agency,
- 18 including a city, village, or township, to conduct this
- 19 performance road test. This subdivision applies to a person 16
- 20 years of age or over only if the person has satisfied
- 21 subdivisions (a), (b), (c), and (d).
- 22 (7) -(6) A person issued a level 2 graduated licensing
- 23 status under subsection -(5) (6) shall remain at level 2 for not
- 24 less than 6 months and shall not operate a motor vehicle within
- 25 this state from 12 midnight to 5 a.m. unless accompanied by a
- 26 parent or legal guardian or a licensed driver over the age of 21
- 27 designated by the parent or legal guardian, or except when going

- 1 to or from employment.
- 2 (8) A person issued a level 2 graduated licensing status
- 3 shall not operate a motor vehicle if the person accompanying him
- 4 or her would be in violation of section 306a. A person who
- 5 violates this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- (9) $\overline{(7)}$ The provisions and provisional period described in
- 7 subsection (4) or $\frac{-(6)}{}$ (7) shall be expanded or extended, or
- **8** both, beyond the periods described in subsection (4) or -(6) (7)
- 9 if any of the following occur and are recorded on the licensee's
- 10 driving record during the provisional periods described in
- 11 subsection (4) or $\frac{-(6)}{}$ (7) or any additional periods imposed
- 12 under this subsection:
- 13 (a) A moving violation resulting in a conviction, civil
- 14 infraction determination, or probate court disposition.
- (b) An accident for which the official police report
- 16 indicates a moving violation on the part of the licensee.
- 17 (c) A license suspension for a reason other than a mental or
- 18 physical disability.
- (d) A violation of subsection (4) or $\frac{(6)}{(7)}$.
- 20 (10) $\overline{(8)}$ The provisional period described in subsection (4)
- 21 shall be extended under subsection -(7) (9) until the licensee
- 22 completes 90 consecutive days without a moving violation, an
- 23 accident in which a moving violation resulted, accident,
- 24 suspension, or provisional period violation listed in subsection
- 25 $\frac{(7)}{(9)}$ or until age 18, whichever occurs first. The
- 26 provisional period described in subsection -(6) (7) shall be
- 27 extended under subsection -(7) (9) until the licensee completes

- 1 12 consecutive months without a moving violation, accident,
- 2 suspension, or restricted period violation listed in subsection
- 3 -(7) (9) or until age 18, whichever occurs first.
- 4 (11) -(9) A person who is not less than 17 years of age may
- 5 be issued a level 3 graduated licensing status under this
- 6 subsection if the person has completed 12 consecutive months
- 7 without a moving violation, an accident in which a moving
- 8 violation resulted, accident, suspension, or restricted period
- 9 violation listed in subsection -(7)—(9) while the person was
- 10 issued a level 2 graduated licensing status under subsection
- 11 $\frac{(5)}{(6)}$.
- 12 (12) $\frac{(10)}{(10)}$ Notice shall be given by first-class mail to the
- 13 last known address of a licensee if the provisions are expanded
- 14 or extended as described in subsection $\frac{(7)}{(9)}$.
- 15 (13) -(11) A person who violates subsection (4) or -(6) (7)
- 16 is responsible for a civil infraction.
- 17 (14) -(12)— If a person is determined responsible for a
- 18 violation of subsection (4) or $\frac{-(6)}{}$ (7), the secretary of state
- 19 shall send written notification of any conviction or moving
- 20 violation to a designated parent or guardian of the person.
- 21 (15) -(13) For purposes of this section:
- 22 (a) Upon conviction for a moving violation, the date of the
- 23 arrest for the violation shall be used in determining whether the
- 24 conviction occurred within a provisional licensure period under
- 25 this section.
- 26 (b) Upon entry of a civil infraction determination for a
- 27 moving violation, the date of issuance of a citation for a civil

- 1 infraction shall be used in determining whether the civil
- 2 infraction determination occurred within a provisional licensure
- 3 period under this section.
- 4 (c) The date of the official police report shall be used in
- 5 determining whether a licensee was driving a motor vehicle
- 6 involved in an accident for which the official police report
- 7 indicates a moving violation on the part of the licensee or
- 8 indicates the licensee had been drinking alcoholic liquor.
- 9 (16) -(14) A person shall have his or her graduated
- 10 licensing status in his or her immediate possession at all times
- 11 when operating a motor vehicle, and shall display the card upon
- 12 demand of a police officer. A person who violates this
- 13 subsection is responsible for a civil infraction.
- 14 (17) -(15)— This section does not apply to a person 15 years
- 15 of age or older who is currently enrolled but has not completed a
- 16 driver education course on April 1, 1997 or who has completed a
- 17 driver education course but has not acquired his or her driver
- **18** license on April 1, 1997.
- 19 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take
- 20 effect unless Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. 5951
- 21 (request no. 02923'03) of the 92nd Legislature is enacted into
- **22** law.

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