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BILL ANALYSIS



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Senate Bill 160 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Senator Tom Casperson
Committee: Transportation

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to do the following:

- Revise the definition of "autocycle".
- Include an autocycle in the definition of "motorcycle".

The Code defines "autocycle" as an enclosed motorcycle that is equipped with safety belts, rollbar, windshield, wipers, steering wheel, and equipment otherwise required on a motorcycle, and that has not more than three wheels in contact with the roadway at any one time. Under the bill, the term would mean a motorcycle that is equipped with safety belts, rollbar or roll hoops, steering wheel, and equipment otherwise required on a motorcycle, has not more than three wheels in contact with the roadway at any one time, and is not equipped with a straddle seat.

Currently, "motorcycle" means every motor vehicle having a saddle or seat for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, excluding a tractor. The bill specifies that "motorcycle" would include an autocycle.

MCL 257.25a & 257.31

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a minimal impact on the number of individuals who would not be required to have motorcycle endorsements based on revisions to the definitions of "autocycle" and "motorcycle" contained in the bill.

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