[No. 77]

(SB 826)

AN ACT to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "An act to provide for the registration, titling, sale, transfer, and regulation of certain vehicles operated upon the public highways of this state or any other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles and distressed vehicles; to provide for the licensing of dealers; to provide for the examination, licensing, and control of operators and chauffeurs; to provide for the giving of proof of financial responsibility and security by owners and operators of vehicles; to provide for the imposition, levy, and collection of specific taxes on vehicles, and the levy and collection of sales and use taxes, license fees, and permit fees; to provide for the regulation and use of streets and highways; to create certain funds; to provide penalties and sanctions for a violation of this act; to provide for civil liability of owners and operators of vehicles and service of process on residents and nonresidents; to provide for the levy of certain assessments; to provide for the enforcement of this act; to provide for the creation of and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies; to repeal all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act or contrary to this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date," by amending sections 625, 8031, 804, and 904 (MCL 257.625, 257.8031, 257.804, and 257.904), sections 625 and 904 as amended by 1999 PA 73, 8031 as amended by 1998 PA 68, and section 804 as amended by 1995 PA 129, and by adding sections 6d, 17b, 30b, 811d, 811e, 811f, 811g, and 811h; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

257.6d "Collector plate" defined. [M.S.A. 9.1806(4)]

Sec. 6d. "Collector plate" means a plate that contains a reproduction of every characteristic of a specific registration plate except for the number and letter characters, which shall be determined by the secretary of state, and that is sold as described in section 811g. A collector plate is not a registration plate.

257.17b "Fund-raising registration plate" and "state-sponsored goal" defined. [M.S.A. 9.1817(2)]

Sec. 17b. "Fund-raising registration plate" means a registration plate that contains a design or logo representing a symbol for a Michigan university or state-sponsored goal and is issued by the secretary of state to raise funds for the respective Michigan university or state-sponsored goal. As used in this section, "state-sponsored goal" means the purpose for which a state-sponsored fund-raising registration plate is authorized under section 811e.

257.30b "Michigan university" defined. [M.S.A. 9.1830(2)]

Sec. 30b. "Michigan university" means any of the following institutions of higher education:

- (a) Central Michigan University.
- (b) Eastern Michigan University.
- (c) Ferris State University.
- (d) Grand Valley State University.
- (e) Lake Superior State University.
- (f) Michigan State University.
- (g) Michigan Technological University.
- (h) Northern Michigan University.

- (i) Oakland University.
- (j) Saginaw Valley State University.
- (k) University of Michigan Ann Arbor.
- (1) University of Michigan Dearborn.
- (m) University of Michigan Flint.
- (n) Wayne State University.
- (o) Western Michigan University.
- 257.625 Operating motor vehicle while under influence of intoxicating liquor or controlled substance; operating motor vehicle when visibly impaired; penalties for causing death or serious impairment of body function; operation of motor vehicle by person less than 21 years of age; requirements; costs; enhanced sentence; guilty plea or nolo contendere; establishment of prior conviction; special verdict; public record; burden of proving religious service or ceremony. [M.S.A. 9.2325]
- Sec. 625. (1) A person, whether licensed or not, shall not operate a vehicle upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles, within this state if either of the following applies:
- (a) The person is under the influence of intoxicating liquor, a controlled substance, or a combination of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance.
- (b) The person has an alcohol content of 0.10 grams or more per 100 milliliters of blood, per 210 liters of breath, or per 67 milliliters of urine.
- (2) The owner of a vehicle or a person in charge or in control of a vehicle shall not authorize or knowingly permit the vehicle to be operated upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of motor vehicles, within this state by a person who is under the influence of intoxicating liquor, a controlled substance, or a combination of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance, who has an alcohol content of 0.10 grams or more per 100 milliliters of blood, per 210 liters of breath, or per 67 milliliters of urine, or whose ability to operate the motor vehicle is visibly impaired due to the consumption of intoxicating liquor, a controlled substance, or a combination of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance.
- (3) A person, whether licensed or not, shall not operate a vehicle upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles, within this state when, due to the consumption of intoxicating liquor, a controlled substance, or a combination of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance, the person's ability to operate the vehicle is visibly impaired. If a person is charged with violating subsection (1), a finding of guilty under this subsection may be rendered.
- (4) A person, whether licensed or not, who operates a motor vehicle in violation of subsection (1) or (3) and by the operation of that motor vehicle causes the death of another person is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 15 years or a fine of not less than \$2,500.00 or more than \$10,000.00, or both. The judgment of sentence may impose the sanction permitted under section 625n. If the vehicle is not ordered forfeited under section 625n, the court shall order vehicle immobilization under section 904d in the judgment of sentence.

- (5) A person, whether licensed or not, who operates a motor vehicle in violation of subsection (1) or (3) and by the operation of that motor vehicle causes a serious impairment of a body function of another person is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years or a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 or more than \$5,000.00, or both. The judgment of sentence may impose the sanction permitted under section 625n. If the vehicle is not ordered forfeited under section 625n, the court shall order vehicle immobilization under section 904d in the judgment of sentence. As used in this subsection, "serious impairment of a body function" includes, but is not limited to, 1 or more of the following:
 - (a) Loss of a limb or use of a limb.
 - (b) Loss of a hand, foot, finger, or thumb or use of a hand, foot, finger, or thumb.
 - (c) Loss of an eye or ear or use of an eye or ear.
 - (d) Loss or substantial impairment of a bodily function.
 - (e) Serious visible disfigurement.
 - (f) A comatose state that lasts for more than 3 days.
 - (g) Measurable brain damage or mental impairment.
 - (h) A skull fracture or other serious bone fracture.
 - (i) Subdural hemorrhage or subdural hematoma.
- (6) A person who is less than 21 years of age, whether licensed or not, shall not operate a vehicle upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles, within this state if the person has any bodily alcohol content. As used in this subsection, "any bodily alcohol content" means either of the following:
- (a) An alcohol content of not less than 0.02 grams or more than 0.07 grams per 100 milliliters of blood, per 210 liters of breath, or per 67 milliliters of urine.
- (b) Any presence of alcohol within a person's body resulting from the consumption of intoxicating liquor, other than consumption of intoxicating liquor as a part of a generally recognized religious service or ceremony.
 - (7) A person, whether licensed or not, is subject to the following requirements:
- (a) He or she shall not operate a vehicle in violation of subsection (1), (3), (4), or (5) while another person who is less than 16 years of age is occupying the vehicle. A person who violates this subdivision is guilty of a crime punishable as follows:
- (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii), a person who violates this subdivision is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$200.00 or more than \$1,000.00 and to 1 or more of the following:
- (A) Imprisonment for not less than 5 days or more than 1 year. Not less than 48 hours of this imprisonment shall be served consecutively. This term of imprisonment shall not be suspended.
 - (B) Community service for not less than 30 days or more than 90 days.
- (*ii*) If the violation occurs within 7 years of a prior conviction or within 10 years of 2 or more prior convictions, a person who violates this subdivision is guilty of a felony and shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$500.00 or more than \$5,000.00 and to either of the following:
- (A) Imprisonment under the jurisdiction of the department of corrections for not less than 1 year or more than 5 years.

- (B) Probation with imprisonment in the county jail for not less than 30 days or more than 1 year and community service for not less than 60 days or more than 180 days. Not less than 48 hours of this imprisonment shall be served consecutively. This term of imprisonment shall not be suspended.
- (b) He or she shall not operate a vehicle in violation of subsection (6) while another person who is less than 16 years of age is occupying the vehicle. A person who violates this subdivision is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as follows:
- (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii), a person who violates this subdivision may be sentenced to 1 or more of the following:
 - (A) Community service for not more than 60 days.
 - (B) A fine of not more than \$500.00.
 - (C) Imprisonment for not more than 93 days.
- (*ii*) If the violation occurs within 7 years of a prior conviction or within 10 years of 2 or more prior convictions, a person who violates this subdivision shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$200.00 or more than \$1,000.00 and to 1 or more of the following:
- (A) Imprisonment for not less than 5 days or more than 1 year. Not less than 48 hours of this imprisonment shall be served consecutively. This term of imprisonment shall not be suspended.
 - (B) Community service for not less than 30 days or more than 90 days.
- (c) In the judgment of sentence under subdivision (a)(i) or (b)(i), the court may, unless the vehicle is ordered forfeited under section 625n, order vehicle immobilization as provided in section 904d. In the judgment of sentence under subdivision (a)(ii) or (b)(ii), the court shall, unless the vehicle is ordered forfeited under section 625n, order vehicle immobilization as provided in section 904d.
- (d) This subsection does not prohibit a person from being charged with, convicted of, or punished for a violation of subsection (4) or (5) that is committed by the person while violating this subsection. However, points shall not be assessed under section 320a for both a violation of subsection (4) or (5) and a violation of this subsection for conduct arising out of the same transaction.
 - (8) If a person is convicted of violating subsection (1), all of the following apply:
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in subdivisions (b) and (c), the person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by 1 or more of the following:
 - (i) Community service for not more than 45 days.
 - (ii) Imprisonment for not more than 93 days.
 - (iii) A fine of not less than \$100.00 or more than \$500.00.
- (b) If the violation occurs within 7 years of a prior conviction, the person shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$200.00 or more than \$1,000.00 and 1 or more of the following:
- (*i*) Imprisonment for not less than 5 days or more than 1 year. Not less than 48 hours of the term of imprisonment imposed under this subparagraph shall be served consecutively.
 - (ii) Community service for not less than 30 days or more than 90 days.
- (c) If the violation occurs within 10 years of 2 or more prior convictions, the person is guilty of a felony and shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$500.00 or more than \$5,000.00 and to either of the following:
- (i) Imprisonment under the jurisdiction of the department of corrections for not less than 1 year or more than 5 years.

- (*ii*) Probation with imprisonment in the county jail for not less than 30 days or more than 1 year and community service for not less than 60 days or more than 180 days. Not less than 48 hours of the imprisonment imposed under this subparagraph shall be served consecutively.
 - (d) A term of imprisonment imposed under subdivision (b) or (c) shall not be suspended.
- (e) In the judgment of sentence under subdivision (a), the court may order vehicle immobilization as provided in section 904d. In the judgment of sentence under subdivision (b) or (c), the court shall, unless the vehicle is ordered forfeited under section 625n, order vehicle immobilization as provided in section 904d.
- (f) In the judgment of sentence under subdivision (b) or (c), the court may impose the sanction permitted under section 625n.
 - (9) A person who is convicted of violating subsection (2) is guilty of a crime as follows:
- (a) Except as provided in subdivisions (b) and (c), a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not less than \$100.00 or more than \$500.00, or both.
- (b) If the person operating the motor vehicle violated subsection (4), a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years or a fine of not less than \$1,500.00 or more than \$10,000.00, or both.
- (c) If the person operating the motor vehicle violated subsection (5), a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 2 years or a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 or more than \$5,000.00, or both.
 - (10) If a person is convicted of violating subsection (3), all of the following apply:
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in subdivisions (b) and (c), the person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by 1 or more of the following:
 - (i) Community service for not more than 45 days.
 - (ii) Imprisonment for not more than 93 days.
 - (iii) A fine of not more than \$300.00.
- (b) If the violation occurs within 7 years of 1 prior conviction, the person shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$200.00 or more than \$1,000.00, and 1 or more of the following:
- (i) Imprisonment for not less than 5 days or more than 1 year. Not less than 48 hours of the term of imprisonment imposed under this subparagraph shall be served consecutively.
 - (ii) Community service for not less than 30 days or more than 90 days.
- (c) If the violation occurs within 10 years of 2 or more prior convictions, the person is guilty of a felony and shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$500.00 or more than \$5,000.00 and either of the following:
- (i) Imprisonment under the jurisdiction of the department of corrections for not less than 1 year or more than 5 years.
- (*ii*) Probation with imprisonment in the county jail for not less than 30 days or more than 1 year and community service for not less than 60 days or more than 180 days. Not less than 48 hours of the imprisonment imposed under this subparagraph shall be served consecutively.
 - (d) A term of imprisonment imposed under subdivision (b) or (c) shall not be suspended.
- (e) In the judgment of sentence under subdivision (a), the court may order vehicle immobilization as provided in section 904d. In the judgment of sentence under subdivision (b) or (c), the court shall, unless the vehicle is ordered forfeited under section 625n, order vehicle immobilization as provided in section 904d.
- (f) In the judgment of sentence under subdivision (b) or (c), the court may impose the sanction permitted under section 625n.

- (11) If a person is convicted of violating subsection (6), all of the following apply:
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (b), the person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by 1 or both of the following:
 - (i) Community service for not more than 45 days.
 - (ii) A fine of not more than \$250.00.
- (b) If the violation occurs within 7 years of 1 or more prior convictions, the person may be sentenced to 1 or more of the following:
 - (i) Community service for not more than 60 days.
 - (ii) A fine of not more than \$500.00.
 - (iii) Imprisonment for not more than 93 days.
- (12) In addition to imposing the sanctions prescribed under this section, the court may order the person to pay the costs of the prosecution under the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL 760.1 to 776.22.
- (13) A person sentenced to perform community service under this section shall not receive compensation and shall reimburse the state or appropriate local unit of government for the cost of supervision incurred by the state or local unit of government as a result of the person's activities in that service.
- (14) If the prosecuting attorney intends to seek an enhanced sentence under this section or a sanction under section 625n based upon the defendant having 1 or more prior convictions, the prosecuting attorney shall include on the complaint and information, or an amended complaint and information, filed in district court, circuit court, municipal court, or family division of circuit court, a statement listing the defendant's prior convictions.
- (15) If a person is charged with a violation of subsection (1), (3), (4), (5), or (7) or section 625m, the court shall not permit the defendant to enter a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a charge of violating subsection (6) in exchange for dismissal of the original charge. This subsection does not prohibit the court from dismissing the charge upon the prosecuting attorney's motion.
 - (16) A prior conviction shall be established at sentencing by 1 or more of the following:
 - (a) An abstract of conviction.
 - (b) A copy of the defendant's driving record.
 - (c) An admission by the defendant.
- (17) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (19), if a person is charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of a controlled substance or a combination of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance in violation of subsection (1) or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to subsection (1), the court shall require the jury to return a special verdict in the form of a written finding or, if the court convicts the person without a jury or accepts a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, the court shall make a finding as to whether the person was under the influence of a controlled substance or a combination of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance at the time of the violation.
- (18) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (19), if a person is charged with operating a vehicle while his or her ability to operate the vehicle was visibly impaired due to his or her consumption of a controlled substance or a combination of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance in violation of subsection (3) or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to subsection (3), the court shall require the jury to return a special verdict in the form of a written finding or, if the court convicts the person without a jury or accepts a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, the court shall make a finding as to whether, due to the consumption of a controlled substance or a combination of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance, the person's ability to operate a motor vehicle was visibly impaired at the time of the violation.

- (19) A special verdict described in subsections (17) and (18) is not required if a jury is instructed to make a finding solely as to either of the following:
- (a) Whether the defendant was under the influence of a controlled substance or a combination of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance at the time of the violation.
- (b) Whether the defendant was visibly impaired due to his or her consumption of a controlled substance or a combination of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance at the time of the violation.
- (20) If a jury or court finds under subsection (17), (18), or (19) that the defendant operated a motor vehicle under the influence of or while impaired due to the consumption of a controlled substance or a combination of a controlled substance and an intoxicating liquor, the court shall do both of the following:
 - (a) Report the finding to the secretary of state.
- (b) On a form or forms prescribed by the state court administrator, forward to the department of state police a record that specifies the penalties imposed by the court, including any term of imprisonment, and any sanction imposed under section 625n or 904d.
- (21) Except as otherwise provided by law, a record described in subsection (20)(b) is a public record and the department of state police shall retain the information contained on that record for not less than 7 years.
- (22) In a prosecution for a violation of subsection (6), the defendant bears the burden of proving that the consumption of intoxicating liquor was a part of a generally recognized religious service or ceremony by a preponderance of the evidence.
- (23) Subject to subsection (25), as used in this section, "prior conviction" means a conviction for any of the following, whether under a law of this state, a local ordinance substantially corresponding to a law of this state, or a law of another state substantially corresponding to a law of this state:
- (a) Except as provided in subsection (24), a violation or attempted violation of subsection (1), (3), (4), (5), (6), or (7), section 625m, former section 625(1) or (2), or former section 625b.
- (b) Negligent homicide, manslaughter, or murder resulting from the operation of a vehicle or an attempt to commit any of those crimes.
- (24) Except for purposes of the enhancement described in subsection (11)(b), only 1 violation or attempted violation of subsection (6), a local ordinance substantially corresponding to subsection (6), or a law of another state substantially corresponding to subsection (6) may be used as a prior conviction.
- (25) If 2 or more convictions described in subsection (23) are convictions for violations arising out of the same transaction, only 1 conviction shall be used to determine whether the person has a prior conviction.
- 257.8031 Special registration plate for member or spouse of member of armed services during World War II; display of vignette; inscription; application form; proof; fee; issuance; tab for persons with disabilities; tax; misdemeanor; expiration; renewal. [M.S.A. 9.2503(12)]

Sec. 803*I.* (1) A person who was a member of the armed services during World War II or a person whose spouse was a member of the armed services during World War II may make application to the secretary of state for a special registration plate, which shall display an appropriate vignette preceding the registration numbers and shall have the word "veteran" inscribed beneath the registration numbers.

- (2) Application for a special registration plate shall be on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be accompanied by any proof of the applicant or applicant's spouse having been a World War II veteran that the secretary of state may require. The application for a special registration plate shall also be accompanied with payment of a \$5.00 service fee.
- (3) Upon proper application and payment of the \$5.00 service fee, the secretary of state shall issue 1 special registration plate for each applicant for use on a passenger vehicle. A person who is disabled who makes application for a special registration plate under this section and who makes payment of the \$5.00 service fee shall be issued a tab for persons with disabilities as provided in section 803f for his or her special registration plate. The secretary of state shall require the same proof that the applicant is a disabled person as is required for issuance of a permanent windshield placard under section 675. A person issued a special registration plate under subsection (1) shall be assessed the applicable tax provided in section 801.
- (4) The use of a special registration plate on a vehicle other than the vehicle for which the plate is issued, or by a person who does not qualify under this section, is a misdemeanor.
- (5) The special registration plate issued under this section shall expire on the birthday of the vehicle owner. When new plates are issued by the secretary of state, application for renewal of the special registration plate shall be accompanied by a \$5.00 service fee. The applicant shall not be required to furnish the proof provided in subsection (2).
- 257.804 Fee for duplicate, replacement, distinctive, or commemorative plates. [M.S.A. 9.2504]
- Sec. 804. (1) In addition to any other fees required under this act, a \$5.00 service fee shall be paid with each application for each distinctive or commemorative plate provided for in this act to cover manufacturing and issuance costs unless these costs are otherwise specifically provided for in this act.
- (2) Each applicant for a duplicate or replacement license plate provided for in this act shall pay the following fee to the secretary of state, in addition to any other fees required under this act:
- (a) Five dollars for a standard or graphic standard plate, personalized registration plate, veterans special registration plate, or other registration plate for which the duplicate or replacement fee has not been specified in this act.
 - (b) Ten dollars for a set of plates provided for in section 803m.
- (c) Ten dollars for each fund-raising registration plate issued under section 811e or 811f, or collector plate described in section 811g.
- 257.811d Fund-raising registration plate series; requirements. [M.S.A. 9.2511(4)]

Sec. 811d. A fund-raising registration plate series shall contain all of the following as prescribed or approved by the secretary of state:

- (a) The same generic background.
- (b) Letters and numbers, except a personalized fund-raising registration plate shall contain not more than 5 letter or number characters.
- (c) The word "Michigan" and any other unique identifier specified by the secretary of state.
 - (d) A design or logo.

257.811e Michigan university fund-raising registration plate. [M.S.A. 9.2511(5)]

Sec. 811e. (1) The secretary of state may develop a Michigan university fund-raising registration plate as described in this section, and a matching Michigan university collector plate as described in section 811g.

- (2) The secretary of state may develop 1 or more limited term registration plates to recognize a state-sponsored event, a Michigan university, or an accomplishment or occasion of a Michigan university.
- (3) The secretary of state may, at any 1 time, develop not more than 6 different state-sponsored fund-raising registration plates as described in this section, and matching state-sponsored collector plates as described in section 811g. As used in this section, "state-sponsored fund-raising registration plate" means a fund-raising registration plate authorized by a public act to raise funds for a state-sponsored goal. The public act shall, at a minimum, do all of the following:
 - (a) Identify the purpose of the state-sponsored fund-raising registration plate.
- (b) Create a fund or designate an existing fund to receive the money raised through the sale of state-sponsored fund-raising registration plates and matching collector plates.
- (c) If a fund is created, name the person or entity responsible for administering the fund.
- (4) The secretary of state may develop, promote, and market the fund-raising registration plates and matching collector plates issued under this section with the funds available through service fees.
- (5) If the design or logo of a Michigan university fund-raising registration plate or a state-sponsored fund-raising registration plate uses 1 or more designs, trade names, trademarks, service marks, emblems, symbols, or other images that are owned by the Michigan university that is requesting the Michigan university fund-raising plate, the person or entity that is sponsoring a state-sponsored fund-raising plate, or any other person or entity, the Michigan university or sponsoring person or entity shall grant to or obtain for the secretary of state both of the following pursuant to a written agreement between the parties:
- (a) A nonexclusive worldwide license to use those designs, trade names, trademarks, service marks, emblems, symbols, or other images on and in conjunction with the marketing, promotion, sale, or copyrighting of the registration plate or image of the registration plate.
- (b) The authority to merchandise the registration plate or an image of the registration plate.
- (6) In using or employing a design, trade name, trademark, service mark, emblem, symbol, logo, or other image on and in conjunction with the marketing, promotion, sale, copyrighting, or merchandising of a registration plate or image of the registration plate, the secretary of state may alter the size of the design, trade name, trademark, service mark, emblem, symbol, logo, or other image but shall not change the color or design of the design, trade name, trademark, service mark, emblem, symbol, logo, or other image without the prior written consent of the respective Michigan university or sponsoring person or entity. The secretary of state shall not use or employ a design, trade name, trademark, service mark, emblem, symbol, logo, or other image on and in conjunction with the marketing, promotion, sale, copyrighting, or merchandising of a registration plate or an image of the registration plate in any manner that is offensive to the Michigan university or sponsoring person or entity that complies with subsection (5).

- (7) As used in this section, "Michigan university fund-raising registration plate" means a fund-raising registration plate that is issued under this section at the request of a Michigan university.
- 257.811f Fund-raising registration plate; issuance; donation, tax, and fee; renewal; personalized registration; disabled person's tab; expiration; temporary registration permit. [M.S.A. 9.2511(6)]
- Sec. 811f. (1) The secretary of state may, upon application, issue 1 fund-raising registration plate instead of a standard registration plate to a person for use on a passenger motor vehicle or motor home or a pickup truck or van used exclusively to transport personal possessions or family members for nonbusiness purposes.
- (2) A person who wants to purchase a Michigan university or state-sponsored fundraising registration plate for use on a vehicle under this act shall apply to the secretary of state for a fund-raising registration plate pursuant to the procedures prescribed in section 217. An application for an original fund-raising registration plate shall be accompanied by a \$25.00 fund-raising donation, payment of the regular vehicle registration tax provided for under this act, and a \$10.00 service fee. An application for renewal of a fund-raising registration plate shall be accompanied by payment of the regular vehicle registration tax provided for under this act and a \$10.00 fund-raising donation. Application for a replacement fund-raising registration plate shall be accompanied by payment of only the fee prescribed under section 804.
- (3) The secretary of state may issue a personalized fund-raising registration plate upon application and the payment of the personalized registration plate fee prescribed under section 803b in addition to the fees and donations prescribed under subsection (2) and the regular vehicle registration tax provided for under this act.
- (4) A disabled person who makes application for a fund-raising registration plate under this section and who makes payment of the required service fees shall be issued, as determined by the secretary of state, a disabled person's tab as provided in section 803f for his or her fund-raising registration plate or a disabled person's fund-raising registration plate. The secretary of state shall require the same proof that the applicant is a disabled person as is required for issuance of a permanent windshield placard under section 675.
- (5) A fund-raising registration plate shall expire pursuant to section 226. The secretary of state may issue a tab or tabs designating the month and year of expiration for an original or renewal fund-raising registration plate.
- (6) The secretary of state may issue a temporary registration permit to a person who submits an application and the proper fees and donation for a fund-raising registration plate, if the applicant's current vehicle registration will expire before his or her receipt of a fund-raising registration plate. The temporary registration shall expire upon the applicant's receipt of a fund-raising registration plate or upon the expiration of 60 days after the date of issuance, whichever occurs first. The temporary permit shall be issued without a separate fee.
- 257.811g Collector plate; display; purchase; ceasing sale. [M.S.A. 9.2511(7)]
- Sec. 811g. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this act, the secretary of state may develop, market, promote, and sell a collector plate that matches any registration plate issued by the secretary of state under this act.

- (2) A collector plate shall not be attached to a motor vehicle in a manner prescribed in section 225. A collector plate may be used on a vehicle in any lawful manner, including, but not limited to, being displayed on the front bumper of a vehicle.
- (3) A person may purchase 1 or more collector plates by making payment to the secretary of state of the \$10.00 service fee and, if the plate is a matching Michigan university or state-sponsored fund-raising registration plate as defined in section 811e, a \$25.00 fund-raising donation.
- (4) The secretary of state may, as determined necessary by the secretary of state, cease to sell a collector plate.
- 257.811h Disposition and use of service fee collections; separate accounts; disbursement; ceasing issuance of fund-raising plate; ownership of right, title, and interest; royalty fee. [M.S.A. 9.2511(8)]
- Sec. 811h. (1) Each service fee collected under sections 811f and 811g shall be credited to the Michigan transportation fund established under section 10 of 1951 PA 51, MCL 247.660, and shall be used first to defray the manufacturing and administrative costs incurred by the secretary of state, including administrative costs associated with selling, issuing, replacing, and substituting fund-raising registration and collector plates.
- (2) The secretary of state shall identify and segregate the fund-raising donations collected under sections 811f and 811g into separate accounts. The secretary of state shall create a separate account for each fund-raising plate series and matching collector plates issued or sold by the secretary of state for a Michigan university or state-sponsored goal pursuant to section 811e.
- (3) As determined necessary by the secretary of state but not more than 45 days after the end of each calendar quarter, the secretary of state shall not less than once each calendar quarter authorize the disbursement of fund-raising donations segregated under subsection (2) and, independent from any disbursement under subsection (2), report the number of fund-raising registration and matching collector plates issued, sold, or renewed bearing the design or logo of that Michigan university or state-sponsored plate sponsor, to the following, as appropriate:
 - (a) The treasurer of a Michigan university.
- (b) The person or entity identified in a public act pursuant to section 811e(3) to administer a state-sponsored fund-raising registration plate fund.
- (4) The secretary of state may cease to issue a fund-raising registration plate or to issue a duplicate replacement of a fund-raising registration plate for use on a vehicle if the secretary of state issued fewer than 500 of a particular fund-raising registration plate within any prior 24 consecutive months. The secretary of state may also cease to sell a collector plate that matches the discontinued fund-raising registration plate. However, the secretary of state may continue to renew fund-raising registration plates already issued and collect the renewal fund-raising donation for those plates. This subsection does not apply to Michigan university fund-raising registration plates issued under section 811f and matching Michigan university collector plates issued under section 811g.
- (5) The state of Michigan, through the secretary of state, shall own all right, title, and interest in all fund-raising registration and collector plates, including the right to use, reproduce, or distribute a fund-raising registration or collector plate or the image of a fund-raising registration or collector plate in any form. The secretary of state may authorize the commercial or other use of a fund-raising registration or collector plate

design, logo, or image if written consent is obtained from the pertinent Michigan university or person or entity that sponsored a state-sponsored fund-raising registration plate under section 811e. However, the secretary of state shall not authorize the commercial or other use of a fund-raising registration or collector plate under this section unless the user first agrees in writing to the terms and conditions that the secretary of state considers necessary. Those terms and conditions may include the payment of royalty fees to 1 or more of the following:

- (a) This state.
- (b) A Michigan university.
- (c) A person or entity that sponsored a state-sponsored fund-raising registration plate.
- (6) A royalty fee paid to this state under a written agreement described in subsection (5) shall be credited to the Michigan transportation fund established under section 10 of 1951 PA 51, MCL 247.660.
- 257.904 Operating vehicle if license, registration certificate, or designation suspended, revoked, or denied; penalty; extending period of suspension or revocation; informing court of record and status; applicability. [M.S.A. 9.2604]
- Sec. 904. (1) A person whose operator's or chauffeur's license or registration certificate has been suspended or revoked and who has been notified as provided in section 212 of that suspension or revocation, whose application for license has been denied, or who has never applied for a license, shall not operate a motor vehicle upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of motor vehicles, within this state.
- (2) A person shall not knowingly permit a motor vehicle owned by the person to be operated upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles, within this state by a person whose license or registration certificate is suspended or revoked, whose application for license has been denied, or who has never applied for a license, except as permitted under this act.
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person who violates subsection (1) or (2) is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as follows:
- (a) For a first violation, by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than \$500.00, or both. Unless the vehicle was stolen or used with the permission of a person who did not knowingly permit an unlicensed driver to operate the vehicle, the registration plates of the vehicle shall be canceled by the secretary of state upon notification by a peace officer.
- (b) For a violation that occurs after a prior conviction, by imprisonment for not more than 1 year or a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both. Unless the vehicle was stolen, the registration plates of the vehicle shall be canceled by the secretary of state upon notification by a peace officer.
- (4) A person who operates a motor vehicle in violation of subsection (1) and who, by operation of that motor vehicle, causes the death of another person is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 15 years or a fine of not less than \$2,500.00 or more than \$10,000.00, or both. This subsection does not apply to a person whose operator's or chauffeur's license was suspended because that person failed to answer a citation or comply with an order or judgment pursuant to section 321a.

- (5) A person who operates a motor vehicle in violation of subsection (1) and who, by operation of that motor vehicle, causes the serious impairment of a body function of another person is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years or a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 or more than \$5,000.00, or both. This subsection does not apply to a person whose operator's or chauffeur's license was suspended because that person failed to answer a citation or comply with an order or judgment pursuant to section 321a. As used in this subsection and subsection (7), "serious impairment of a body function" includes, but is not limited to, 1 or more of the following:
 - (a) Loss of a limb or loss of use of a limb.
 - (b) Loss of a foot, hand, finger, or thumb or loss of use of a foot, hand, finger, or thumb.
 - (c) Loss of an eye or ear or loss of use of an eye or ear.
 - (d) Loss or substantial impairment of a bodily function.
 - (e) Serious visible disfigurement.
 - (f) A comatose state that lasts for more than 3 days.
 - (g) Measurable brain or mental impairment.
 - (h) A skull fracture or other serious bone fracture.
 - (i) Subdural hemorrhage or subdural hematoma.
- (6) In addition to being subject to any other penalty provided for in this act, if a person is convicted under subsection (4) or (5), the court may impose the sanction permitted under section 625n. If the vehicle is not ordered forfeited under section 625n, the court shall order vehicle immobilization under section 904d in the judgment of sentence.
- (7) A person shall not knowingly permit a motor vehicle owned by the person to be operated upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles, within this state, by a person whose license or registration certificate is suspended or revoked, whose application for license has been denied, or who has never been licensed except as permitted by this act. If a person permitted to operate a motor vehicle in violation of this subsection causes the serious impairment of a body function of another person by operation of that motor vehicle, the person knowingly permitting the operation of that motor vehicle is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 2 years, or a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 or more than \$5,000.00, or both. If a person permitted to operate a motor vehicle in violation of this subsection causes the death of another person by operation of that motor vehicle, the person knowingly permitting the operation of that motor vehicle is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years, or a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 or more than \$5,000.00, or both.
- (8) If the prosecuting attorney intends to seek an enhanced sentence under this section based upon the defendant having 1 or more prior convictions, the prosecuting attorney shall include on the complaint and information, or an amended complaint and information, filed in district court, circuit court, municipal court, or family division of circuit court, a statement listing the defendant's prior convictions.
- (9) A prior conviction under this section shall be established at or before sentencing by 1 or more of the following:
 - (a) An abstract of conviction.
 - (b) A copy of the defendant's driving record.
 - (c) An admission by the defendant.

- (10) Upon receiving a record of a person's conviction or civil infraction determination for the unlawful operation of a motor vehicle or a moving violation reportable under section 732 while the person's operator's or chauffeur's license is suspended or revoked, the secretary of state immediately shall impose an additional like period of suspension or revocation. This subsection applies only if the violation occurs during a suspension of definite length or if the violation occurs before the person is approved for a license following a revocation.
- (11) Upon receiving a record of a person's conviction or civil infraction determination for the unlawful operation of a motor vehicle or a moving violation reportable under section 732 while the person's operator's or chauffeur's license is indefinitely suspended or whose application for a license has been denied, the secretary of state immediately shall impose a 30-day period of suspension or denial.
- (12) Upon receiving a record of the conviction, bond forfeiture, or a civil infraction determination of a person for unlawful operation of a motor vehicle requiring a vehicle group designation while the designation is suspended pursuant to section 319a or 319b, or revoked, the secretary of state immediately shall impose an additional like period of suspension or revocation. This subsection applies only if the violation occurs during a suspension of definite length, if the violation occurs before the person is approved for a license following a revocation, or if the person operates a commercial vehicle while disqualified under the commercial motor vehicle safety act of 1986, title XII of Public Law 99-570, 100 Stat. 3207-170.
- (13) If the secretary of state receives records of more than 1 conviction or civil infraction determination resulting from the same incident, all of the convictions or civil infraction determinations shall be treated as a single violation for purposes of imposing an additional period of suspension or revocation under subsection (10), (11), or (12).
- (14) Before a person is arraigned before a district court magistrate or judge on a charge of violating this section, the arresting officer shall obtain the person's driving record from the secretary of state and shall furnish the record to the court. The driving record of the person may be obtained from the secretary of state's computer information network.
- (15) This section does not apply to a person who operates a vehicle solely for the purpose of protecting human life or property if the life or property is endangered and summoning prompt aid is essential.
- (16) A person whose vehicle group designation is suspended or revoked and who has been notified as provided in section 212 of that suspension or revocation, or whose application for a vehicle group designation has been denied as provided in this act, or who has never applied for a vehicle group designation and who operates a commercial motor vehicle within this state, except as permitted under this act, while any of those conditions exist is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable, except as otherwise provided in this section, by imprisonment for not less than 3 days or more than 93 days or a fine of not more than \$100.00, or both.
- (17) If a person has a second or subsequent suspension or revocation under this section within 7 years as indicated on the person's Michigan driving record, the court shall proceed as provided in section 904d.
- (18) Any period of suspension or revocation required under subsection (10), (11), or (12) does not apply to a person who has only 1 currently effective suspension or denial on his or her Michigan driving record under section 321a and was convicted of or received a civil infraction determination for a violation that occurred during that suspension or denial. This subsection may only be applied once during the person's lifetime.

(19) For purposes of this section, a person who never applied for a license includes a person who applied for a license, was denied, and never applied again.

Repeal of §§ 257.6d, 257.17b, 257.30b, and 257.811d to 257.811n. Enacting section 1. Sections 6d, 17b, 30b, and 811d to 811n of 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.6d, 257.17b, 257.30b, and 257.811d to 257.811n, are repealed effective 5 years after the effective date of the amendatory act that added those sections.

Effective date.

Enacting section 2. This amendatory act takes effect October 1, 2000.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect. Approved April 5, 2000. Filed with Secretary of State April 7, 2000.