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HOUSE BILL DRH40096-ML-70 (02/07)

Short Title: Motorcycle License/Exempt Antique Scooters. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Speciale.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A MOTORCYCLE LEARNER'S PERMIT OR MOTORCYCLE
ENDORSEMENT ARE NOT REQUIRED TO OPERATE CERTAIN ANTIQUE MOTOR
SCOOTERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 20-7(a1) reads as rewritten:

"(a1) Motorcycles and Mopeds. – ~~To~~Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, to
drive a motorcycle, a person shall have one of the following:

- (1) A full provisional license with a motorcycle learner's permit.
- (2) A regular drivers license with a motorcycle learner's permit.
- (3) A full provisional license with a motorcycle endorsement.
- (4) A regular drivers license with a motorcycle endorsement.

Subsection (a2) of this section sets forth the requirements for a motorcycle learner's permit. To
obtain a motorcycle endorsement, a person shall pay the fee set in subsection (i) of this section. In
addition, to obtain an endorsement, a person age 18 or older shall demonstrate competence to
drive a motorcycle by passing a knowledge test concerning motorcycles, and by passing a road test
or providing proof of successful completion of one of the following:

- (1) The North Carolina Motorcycle Safety Education Program Basic Rider Course
or Experienced Rider Course.
- (2) Any course approved by the Commissioner consistent with the instruction
provided through the Motorcycle Safety Instruction Program established under
G.S. 115D-72.

A person less than 18 years of age shall demonstrate competence to drive a motorcycle by
passing a knowledge test concerning motorcycles and providing proof of successful completion of
one of the following:

- (1) Repealed by Session Laws 2012-85, s. 1, effective July 1, 2012.
- (2) The North Carolina Motorcycle Safety Education Program Basic Rider Course
or Experienced Rider Course.
- (3) Any course approved by the Commissioner consistent with the instruction
provided through the Motorcycle Safety Instruction Program established under
G.S. 115D-72.

A person less than 18 years of age with a motorcycle endorsement may not drive a motorcycle
with a passenger.

Neither a drivers license nor a motorcycle endorsement is required to drive a moped. Neither a
motorcycle learner's permit nor a motorcycle endorsement are required to drive a motor scooter



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1 that (i) was manufactured prior to January 1, 1960, and (ii) has a motor that does not exceed 150
2 cubic centimeters piston displacement and produces more than eight horsepower."

3 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.