HOUSE BILL No. 5465

December 6, 1995, Introduced by Rep. McNutt and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

A bill to amend section 328 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, entitled as amended

"Michigan vehicle code,"

as added by Act No. 459 of the Public Acts of 1980, being section 257.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; and to add section 520a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Section 1. Section 328 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of
 1949, as added by Act No. 459 of the Public Acts of 1980, being
 section 257.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended and
 section 520a is added to read as follows:

5 Sec. 328. (1) The owner of a motor vehicle who operates or 6 permits the operation of the motor vehicle upon the highways of 7 this state or the operator of the motor vehicle shall produce, 8 pursuant to subsection (2), upon the request of a police officer, 9 evidence that the motor vehicle is insured under chapter 31 of

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1 THE INSURANCE CODE OF 1956, Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 2 1956, <u>as amended</u>, being sections 500.3101 to 500.3179 of the 3 Michigan Compiled Laws. An owner or operator of a motor vehicle 4 who fails to produce evidence under this subsection when 5 requested to produce that evidence is responsible for a civil 6 infraction.

7 (2) A certificate of insurance -, if- issued by an insurance 8 company -, which certificate THAT states that security which 9 meets MEETING the requirements of sections 3101 and 3102 of Act 10 No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1956, as amended, being sections 11 500.3101 and 500.3102 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is in force, 12 shall be accepted as prima facie evidence that insurance is in 13 force for the motor vehicle described in the certificate of 14 insurance until the expiration date shown on the certificate. 15 The certificate -, in addition to describing the motor vehicles 16 for which insurance is in effect, shall state the SHALL CONTAIN 17 ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

18 (A) THE VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER.

(B) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE INSURER.

20 (C) THE INSURANCE POLICY NUMBER.

21 (D) THE EFFECTIVE DATE AND THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THE INSUR-22 ANCE POLICY.

(E) THE name of each person <u>named on the policy, policy</u>
24 declaration, or a declaration certificate whose operation of the
25 vehicle would cause the liability coverage of that insurance to
26 become void.

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(3) If an owner of a motor vehicle is determined to be 1 2 responsible for a violation of subsection (1), the court in which 3 the civil infraction determination is entered -may SHALL require 4 the person to surrender his or her operator's or chauffeur's 5 license unless proof that the vehicle has insurance meeting the 6 requirements of section 3102 of Act No. 218 of the Public Acts 7 of 1956, as amended, is submitted to the court. If the court 8 requires the license to be surrendered, the THE court shall 9 order the secretary of state to suspend the person's license and 10 shall forward the surrendered license and a certificate of civil 11 infraction to the secretary of state. Upon receipt of the cer-12 tificate of civil infraction and the surrendered license, the 13 secretary of state shall suspend the person's license beginning 14 with the date on which a person is determined to be responsible 15 for the civil infraction for a period of 30 days or until proof 16 of insurance -which THAT meets the requirements of section 3102 17 of Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1956, as amended, is sub-18 mitted to the secretary of state, whichever occurs later. If the 19 license is not forwarded, an explanation of the reason why it is 20 not forwarded shall be attached. A person who submits proof of 21 insurance to the secretary of state under this subsection shall 22 pay a service fee of \$10.00 to the secretary of state. The 23 person shall not be required to be examined as set forth in sec-24 tion 320c.

25 (4) An owner or operator of a motor vehicle who knowingly26 produces false evidence under this section is guilty of a

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1 misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year, 2 or BY a fine of not more than \$500.00, or both.

3 (5) Points shall not be entered on a driver's record pursu-4 ant to section 320a for a violation of this section.

5 (6) This section does not apply to the owner or operator of 6 a motor vehicle that is registered in a state other than this 7 state, or a foreign country or province.

8 SEC. 520A. (1) THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL SEND A NOTICE 9 TO EACH REGISTERED OWNER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTERED PURSUANT 10 TO THIS ACT IF THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS BEEN INFORMED BY THE 11 INSURER THAT THE POLICY OF INSURANCE FOR THE MOTOR VEHICLE HAS 12 EXPIRED WITHOUT BEING RENEWED OR HAS BEEN TERMINATED OR CANCELED 13 AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS NOT BEEN INFORMED BY THE REGIS-14 TERED OWNER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE IS 15 INSURED UNDER ANOTHER POLICY OF INSURANCE.

16 (2) A NOTICE ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE ON A
17 FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND SHALL CONTAIN BOTH
18 OF THE FOLLOWING:

(A) A STATEMENT THAT THE INSURER HAS INFORMED THE SECRETARY
OF STATE THAT THE POLICY OF INSURANCE FOR THE MOTOR VEHICLE HAS
EXPIRED WITHOUT BEING RENEWED OR HAS BEEN TERMINATED OR CANCELED
AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS NOT BEEN INFORMED BY THE REGISTERED OWNER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE IS
INSURED UNDER ANOTHER POLICY OF INSURANCE.

(B) A STATEMENT THAT IF A REGISTERED OWNER OF THE MOTOR
VEHICLE FAILS TO RESPOND TO THE NOTICE BEFORE THE EXPIRATION OF
14 DAYS AFTER THE NOTICE WAS ISSUED AND FAILS TO PRESENT PROOF TO

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1 THE SECRETARY OF STATE THAT IS SATISFACTORY TO THE SECRETARY OF 2 STATE THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE IS INSURED PURSUANT TO SECTION 520, 3 THE SECRETARY OF STATE WILL CANCEL THE REGISTRATION OF THE MOTOR 4 VEHICLE AND WILL NOT ISSUE A NEW REGISTRATION FOR THE MOTOR VEHI-5 CLE UNTIL AN OWNER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE PROVIDES PROOF TO THE 6 SECRETARY OF STATE THAT IS SATISFACTORY TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE 7 THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE IS INSURED PURSUANT TO SECTION 520.

8 (3) THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL CANCEL THE REGISTRATION OF
9 A MOTOR VEHICLE UNLESS A REGISTERED OWNER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE
10 PROVIDES PROOF OF INSURANCE TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE AS REQUIRED
11 UNDER THIS SECTION.

Section 2. This amendatory act shall not take effect unless Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. __5464 (request 14 no. 03741'95) of the 88th Legislature is enacted into law.