

# SENATE BILL No. 1137

March 8, 2000, Introduced by Senator BENNETT and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 314 (MCL 257.314), as amended by 1989 PA 299.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 314. (1) Except as OTHERWISE provided in ~~subsections~~  
 2 ~~(2), (3), (4), (5), and (6)~~ THIS SECTION, an operator's license  
 3 shall expire on the birthday of the person to whom the license is  
 4 issued in the fourth year following the date of the issuance of  
 5 the license unless suspended or revoked before that date or  
 6 issued pursuant to section 314b. A license shall not be issued  
 7 for a period longer than 4 years. A person holding a license at  
 8 any time within 45 days before the expiration of his or her  
 9 license may make application for a new license as provided for in  
 10 this chapter. ~~Beginning November 15, 1989 through March 31,~~

1 ~~1992, a person who has a license with a class 1, class 2, or~~  
2 ~~class 3 indorsement may make application for renewal of his or~~  
3 ~~her license 90 days before expiration of the license.~~ However, a  
4 knowledge test for an original group designation or indorsement  
5 may be taken at any time during this period and the results shall  
6 be valid for 12 months. However, if the licensee will be out of  
7 the state during the 45 days immediately preceding expiration of  
8 the license or for other good cause shown cannot apply for a  
9 license within the 45-day period, application for a new license  
10 may be made not more than 6 months before expiration of the  
11 license. This new license when granted shall expire as provided  
12 for in this chapter.

13 (2) Effective October 1, 1985, the first operator's license  
14 issued to a person who at the time of application is less than  
15 20-1/2 years of age shall expire on the licensee's twenty-first  
16 birthday unless suspended or revoked. The secretary of state  
17 shall code the license in a manner which clearly identifies the  
18 licensee as being less than 21 years of age.

19 (3) The first chauffeur's license issued to a person shall  
20 expire on the licensee's birthday in the fourth year following  
21 the date of issuance unless the license is suspended or revoked  
22 before that date or is issued pursuant to section 314b.

23 Effective October 1, 1985, the chauffeur's license of a person  
24 who at the time of application is less than 20-1/2 years of age  
25 shall expire on the licensee's twenty-first birthday unless sus-  
26 pended or revoked. The secretary of state shall code the license  
27 in a manner which clearly identifies the licensee as being less

1 than 21 years of age. A subsequent chauffeur's license shall  
2 expire on the birthday of the person to whom the license is  
3 issued in the fourth year following the date of issuance of the  
4 license unless the license is suspended or revoked before that  
5 date or is issued pursuant to section 314b.

6 (4) A person may apply for an extension of his or her driv-  
7 ing privileges if he or she is out of state on the date that his  
8 or her operator's or chauffeur's license expires. The extension  
9 may extend the license for 90 days beyond the expiration date or  
10 within 2 weeks after the applicant returns to Michigan, whichever  
11 occurs first.

12 (5) A person who will be out of state for more than 90 days  
13 beyond the expiration date of his or her operator's license may  
14 apply for a 2-year extension of his or her driving privileges.  
15 The applicant for this extension shall submit a statement evi-  
16 dencing a vision examination in accordance with the rules promul-  
17 gated by the secretary of state under section 309. The fee for a  
18 2-year extension shall be the same as provided in section  
19 314b(2).

20 (6) A person whose operator's or chauffeur's license is  
21 unexpired but whose class 1, class 2, or class 3 indorsement has  
22 expired pursuant to section ~~312e(8)~~ 312E(10) may apply for a  
23 vehicle group designation or indorsement. Upon proper applica-  
24 tion and payment of the fees prescribed in section ~~312g~~ or 314b  
25 and section 811, the expiration of the person's operator's or  
26 chauffeur's license shall be extended for 4 years beyond the

1 expiration which would have applied except for the operation of  
2 section ~~312e(8)~~ 312E(10).