SENATE BILL No. 1669

December 3, 2008, Introduced by Senator BROWN and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled

"Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending section 732a (MCL 257.732a), as amended by 2004 PA 52.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 732a. (1) An individual, whether licensed or not, who accumulates 7 or more points on his or her driving record pursuant 2 3 to sections 320a and 629c within a 2-year period for any violation not listed under subsection (2) shall be assessed a \$100.00 driver 4 responsibility fee. For each additional point accumulated above 7 5 6 points not listed under subsection (2), an additional fee of \$50.00 7 shall be assessed. The secretary of state shall collect the fees described in this subsection once each year that the point total on 8 9 an individual driving record is 7 points or more.

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(2) An individual, whether licensed or not, who violates any
 of the following sections or another law or local ordinance that
 substantially corresponds to those sections shall be assessed a
 driver responsibility fee as follows:

5 (a) Upon posting of an abstract that an individual has been
6 found guilty for a violation of law listed or described in this
7 subdivision, the secretary of state shall assess a \$1,000.00 driver
8 responsibility fee each year for 2 consecutive years:

9 (i) Manslaughter, negligent homicide, or a felony resulting
10 from the operation of a motor vehicle, ORV, or snowmobile.

(*ii*) Section 601b(2) or (3), 601c(1) or (2), or 653a(3) or (4).
(*iii*) Section 625(1), (4), or (5), section 625m, or section
81134 of the natural resources and environmental protection act,
1994 PA 451, MCL 324.81134, or a law or ordinance substantially
corresponding to section 625(1), (4), or (5), section 625m, or
section 81134 of the natural resources and environmental protection
act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.81134.

18 (*iv*) Failing to stop and disclose identity at the scene of an19 accident when required by law.

20 (v) Fleeing or eluding an officer.

(b) Upon posting of an abstract that an individual has been found guilty for a violation of law listed in this subdivision, the secretary of state shall assess a \$500.00 driver responsibility fee each year for 2 consecutive years:

25 (i) Section 625(3), (6), (7), or (8).

- **26** (*ii*) Section 626.
- **27** (*iii*) Section 904.

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(*iv*) Section 3101, 3102(1), or 3103 of the insurance code of
 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3101, 500.3102, and 500.3103.

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3 (c) Upon posting of an abstract that an individual has been
4 found guilty for a violation of section 301, the secretary of state
5 shall assess a \$150.00 driver responsibility fee each year for 2
6 consecutive years. A DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY FEE SHALL NOT BE
7 ASSESSED OR COLLECTED UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION FOR A VIOLATION
8 COMMITTED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2009.

9 (d) Subject to subsection (8), upon UPON THE posting of an
10 abstract that an individual has been found guilty or determined
11 responsible for a violation listed in section 328, the secretary of
12 state shall assess a \$200.00 driver responsibility fee each year
13 for 2 consecutive years. A DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY FEE SHALL NOT BE
14 ASSESSED OR COLLECTED UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION FOR A VIOLATION
15 COMMITTED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2009.

(3) The secretary of state shall send a notice of the driver 16 17 responsibility assessment, as prescribed under subsection (1) or 18 (2), to the individual by regular mail to the address on the 19 records of the secretary of state. If payment is not received 20 within 30 days after the notice is mailed, the secretary of state 21 shall send a second notice that indicates that if payment is not received within the next 30 days, the driver's driving privileges 22 23 will be suspended.

(4) The secretary of state may authorize payment by
installment for an ANY amount of \$500.00 or more for a period not
to exceed 12 months. FOR A DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY FEE THAT IS
ASSESSED EACH YEAR FOR 2 CONSECUTIVE YEARS, THE INDIVIDUAL MAY OPT

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1 TO PAY THE FEE IN A SINGLE PAYMENT AT THE TIME THE PAYMENT FOR THE 2 FIRST YEAR IS DUE.

3 (5) If payment is not received or an installment plan is not
4 established after the time limit required by the second notice
5 prescribed under subsection (3) expires, the secretary of state
6 shall suspend the driving privileges until the assessment and any
7 other fees prescribed under this act are paid.

8 (6) A fee shall not be assessed under this section for 7
9 points or more on a driving record on October 1, 2003. Points
10 assigned after October 1, 2003 shall be assessed as prescribed
11 under subsections (1) and (2).

12 (7) A driver responsibility fee shall be assessed under this 13 section in the same manner for a conviction or determination of 14 responsibility for a violation or an attempted violation of a law 15 of this state, of a local ordinance substantially corresponding to 16 a law of this state, or of a law of another state substantially 17 corresponding to a law of this state.

18 (8) Not more than 60 days after the effective date of the 19 amendatory act that added this subsection, if an individual who was issued a citation for a violation of section 328(1) for failing to 20 21 produce a certificate of insurance from October 1, 2003 until the date the amendatory act that added this subsection takes effect 22 23 presents a certificate of insurance that was in effect at the time 24 the individual was issued the citation to the court that forwarded 25 the abstract, the court shall rescind the abstract. After the court 26 rescinds the abstract as described in this subsection, the court 27 shall notify the secretary of state, which shall refund, waive, or

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both refund and waive the driver responsibility fee corresponding
 to the violation, as appropriate.

3 (8) (9) The fire protection fund is created within the state 4 treasury. The state treasurer may receive money or other assets 5 from any source for deposit into the fund. The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the fund. The state treasurer shall 6 7 credit to the fund interest and earnings from fund investments. Money in the fund at the close of the fiscal year shall remain in 8 9 the fund and shall not lapse to the general fund. The department of 10 consumer and industry services LABOR AND ECONOMIC GROWTH shall 11 expend money from the fund, upon appropriation, only for fire 12 protection grants to cities, villages, and townships with state 13 owned facilities for fire services, as provided in 1977 PA 289, MCL 141.951 to 141.956. 14

15 (9) (10) The secretary of state shall transmit the fees
16 collected under this section to the state treasurer. The state
17 treasurer shall credit fee money received under this section in
18 each fiscal year as follows:

19 (a) The first \$65,000,000.00 shall be credited to the general20 fund.

(b) If more than \$65,000,000.00 is collected under this
section, the next amount collected in excess of \$65,000,000.00 up
to \$68,500,000.00 shall be credited to the fire protection fund
created in this section.

(c) If more than \$100,000,000.00 is collected under this
section, the next amount collected in excess of \$100,000,000.00 up
to \$105,000,000.00 shall be credited to the fire protection fund

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1 created in this section.

2 (d) Any amount collected after crediting the amounts under
3 subdivisions (a), (b), and (c) shall be credited to the general
4 fund.

5 (11) For fiscal year 2003-2004, \$3,500,000.00 is appropriated 6 from the fire protection fund described in subsection (9) to the 7 department of consumer and industry services for the purposes 8 described under subsection (9).

9 (10) FROM FEBRUARY 15, 2009 TO APRIL 15, 2009, AN INDIVIDUAL 10 WHO HAS BEEN ASSESSED A DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY FEE UNDER SUBSECTION 11 (1) OR (2)(B) MAY SATISFY THE ASSESSMENT BY PAYING 75% OF THE 12 AMOUNT ASSESSED. IF AN INDIVIDUAL SATISFIES HIS OR HER ASSESSMENT 13 DUE UNDER SUBSECTION (1) OR (2)(B) DURING THIS REDUCED PAYMENT 14 PERIOD, ANY SANCTION THAT APPLIED FOR FAILURE TO TIMELY PAY THAT 15 ASSESSMENT SHALL BE WAIVED.