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SENATE BILL No. 1212

March 13, 2008, Introduced by Senators SWITALSKI, GARCIA and BIRKHOLZ and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

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:

Sec. 732a. (1) An individual, whether licensed or not, who accumulates 7 or more points on his or her driving record pursuant 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 responsibility fee. For each additional point accumulated above 7 points not listed under subsection (2), an additional fee of \$50.00 shall be assessed. The secretary of state shall collect the fees described in this subsection once each year that the point total on an individual driving record is 7 points or more.

- 1 (2) An individual, whether licensed or not, who violates any
- 2 of the following sections or another law or local ordinance that
- 3 substantially corresponds to those sections shall be assessed a
- 4 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.
- 11 (ii) Section 601b(2) or (3), 601c(1) or (2), or 653a(3) or (4).
- 12 (iii) Section 625(1), (4), or (5), section 625m, or section
- 13 81134 of the natural resources and environmental protection act,
- 14 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.81134, or a law or ordinance substantially
- 15 corresponding to section 625(1), (4), or (5), section 625m, or
- 16 section 81134 of the natural resources and environmental protection
- 17 act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.81134.
- 18 (iv) Failing to stop and disclose identity at the scene of an
- 19 accident when required by law.
- 20 (v) Fleeing or eluding an officer.
- 21 (b) Upon posting of an abstract that an individual has been
- 22 found guilty for a violation of law listed in this subdivision, the
- 23 secretary of state shall assess a \$500.00 driver responsibility fee
- 24 each year for 2 consecutive years:
- 25 (i) Section 625(3), (6), (7), or (8).
- 26 (ii) Section 626.
- **27** (*iii*) Section 904.

- 1 (iv) Section 3101, 3102(1), or 3103 of the insurance code of
- 2 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3101, 500.3102, and 500.3103.
- 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.
- 7 (d) Subject to subsection (8), upon posting of an abstract
- 8 that an individual has been found guilty or determined responsible
- 9 for a violation listed in section 328, the secretary of state shall
- 10 assess a \$200.00 driver responsibility fee each year for 2
- 11 consecutive years.
- 12 (3) The secretary of state shall send a notice of the driver
- 13 responsibility assessment, as prescribed under subsection (1) or
- 14 (2), to the individual by regular mail to the address on the
- 15 records of the secretary of state. If payment is not received
- 16 within 30 days after the notice is mailed, the secretary of state
- 17 shall send a second notice that indicates that if payment is not
- 18 received within the next 30 days, the driver's driving privileges
- 19 will be suspended.
- 20 (4) The secretary of state may authorize payment by
- 21 installment for an amount of \$500.00 or more for a period not to
- 22 exceed 12 months. FOR A DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY FEE THAT IS ASSESSED
- 23 EACH YEAR FOR 2 CONSECUTIVE YEARS, THE DRIVER MAY OPT TO PAY THE
- 24 FEE IN A SINGLE PAYMENT AT THE TIME THE PAYMENT FOR THE FIRST YEAR
- 25 IS DUE.
- (5) If payment is not received or an installment plan is not
- 27 established after the time limit required by the second notice

- 1 prescribed under subsection (3) expires, the secretary of state
- 2 shall suspend the driving privileges until the assessment and any
- 3 other fees prescribed under this act are paid.
- **4** (6) A fee shall not be assessed under this section for 7
- 5 points or more on a driving record on October 1, 2003. Points
- 6 assigned after October 1, 2003 shall be assessed as prescribed
- 7 under subsections (1) and (2).
- 8 (7) A driver responsibility fee shall be assessed under this
- 9 section in the same manner for a conviction or determination of
- 10 responsibility for a violation or an attempted violation of a law
- 11 of this state, of a local ordinance substantially corresponding to
- 12 a law of this state, or of a law of another state substantially
- 13 corresponding to a law of this state.
- 14 (8) Not more than 60 days after the effective date of the
- 15 amendatory act that added this subsection UNTIL JUNE 30, 2004, if
- 16 an individual who was issued a citation for a violation of section
- 17 328(1) for failing to produce a certificate of insurance from
- 18 October 1, 2003 until the date the amendatory act that added this
- 19 subsection takes effect MAY 1, 2004 presents a certificate of
- 20 insurance that was in effect at the time the individual was issued
- 21 the citation to the court that forwarded the abstract, the court
- 22 shall rescind the abstract. After the court rescinds the abstract
- 23 as described in this subsection, the court shall notify the
- 24 secretary of state, which shall refund, waive, or both refund and
- 25 waive the driver responsibility fee corresponding to the violation,
- 26 as appropriate.
- 27 (9) The fire protection fund is created within the state

- 1 treasury. The state treasurer may receive money or other assets
- 2 from any source for deposit into the fund. The state treasurer
- 3 shall direct the investment of the fund. The state treasurer shall
- 4 credit to the fund interest and earnings from fund investments.
- 5 Money in the fund at the close of the fiscal year shall remain in
- 6 the fund and shall not lapse to the general fund. The department of
- 7 consumer and industry services LABOR AND ECONOMIC GROWTH shall
- 8 expend money from the fund, upon appropriation, only for fire
- 9 protection grants to cities, villages, and townships with state
- 10 owned facilities for fire services, as provided in 1977 PA 289, MCL
- 11 141.951 to 141.956.
- 12 (10) The secretary of state shall transmit the fees collected
- 13 under this section to the state treasurer. The state treasurer
- 14 shall credit fee money received under this section in each fiscal
- 15 year as follows:
- 16 (a) The first \$65,000,000.00 shall be credited to the general
- **17** fund.
- 18 (b) If more than \$65,000,000.00 is collected under this
- 19 section, the next amount collected in excess of \$65,000,000.00 up
- 20 to \$68,500,000.00 shall be credited to the fire protection fund
- 21 created in this section.
- (c) If more than \$100,000,000.00 is collected under this
- 23 section, the next amount collected in excess of \$100,000,000.00 up
- 24 to \$105,000,000.00 shall be credited to the fire protection fund
- 25 created in this section.
- 26 (d) Any amount collected after crediting the amounts under
- 27 subdivisions (a), (b), and (c) shall be credited to the general

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