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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Motorcycles and tricycles continue to play a significant role in providing alternative modes of transportation and a cheaper way to own a private vehicle. Motorcycle ownership and usage are also driven by the ride-hailing and food delivery industries, allowing for reduced travel time when navigating heavy traffic. In fact, a new law is being pushed to legalize motorcycle taxis, which at present are at pilot study to lay down the premises for its public conveyance use.

However, despite its usefulness and practicality, motorcycles pose high risk and are vulnerable to road accidents. Loss of control, speeding, impaired driving and lack of motorcycle driving knowledge are the leading causes of motorcycle accidents. Analyzing each cause, it could be revealed that these are preventable. Motorcyclist might not be able to control factors like road hazards, but they can control their own behavior with proper motorcycle driving knowledge.

This proposed measure seeks to require a mandatory training for motorcycle driving and completion thereof, prior to the issuance of a motorcycle driver's license or Driver's License Code A.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate consideration and approval of this measure is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT REQUIRING MANDATORY TRAINING AS A PRE-REQUISITE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A MOTORCYCLE DRIVER'S LICENSE

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. *Short Title.* – This Act shall be known as the "Motorcycle Licensing Act of 2024."

SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* - It is the declared policy of the State to safeguard life, health, property, and the general welfare of the people. The State acknowledges the value of promoting awareness among citizens, particularly motorcycle drivers, of traffic laws, road safety, and road courtesy.

The State shall implement measures to mitigate motorcycle accidents and ensure the safety of motorcycle riders and the public, by requiring the proper training of those applying for a motorcycle driver's license.

SEC. 3. *Motorcycle Safety and Road Courtesy Training.* – The accredited or recognized motorcycle driving schools and training centers shall conduct a mandatory motorcycle safety and road courtesy training as required by the Land Transportation Office (LTO) to all motorcycle driver's license applicants.

SEC. 4. *Motorcycle Safety and Road Courtesy Manual* – The Secretary of Transportation and the Chief of the LTO shall, in consultation with the accredited and recognized motorcycle driving schools and training centers, initiate the formulation of a comprehensive motorcycle safety and road courtesy manual to ensure consistency in the presentation of its training program and provide motorcycle drivers a better understanding of all matters related to road safety practices and avoiding the occurrence of road accidents.

The motorcycle safety training manual shall include basic road rules and regulations, road safety, road signs, driving courtesy, motorcycle safety features and LTO -related laws.

SEC. 4. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation and the Chief of the LTO, in consultation with the accredited and recognized motorcycle driving schools and training centers, shall promulgate the necessary implementing rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 5. *Separability Clause* -If any provision of this Act is held unconstitutional, other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and binding.

SEC. 6. *Repealing Clause.* – All other laws, decrees, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations, or part thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby likewise repealed or amended accordingly.

SEC. 7. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following the completion of its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation

Approved,