

ADOPTED SENATE

Senators Miller of the 49th, Harper of the 7th, Gooch of the 51st and Beach of the 21st offered the following amendment:

Amend the Senate Committee on Public Safety substitute to HB 136 (LC 41 1151S) by replacing lines 1 and 2 with the following:

To amend Chapters 5, 6, and 16 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to drivers' licenses, the Uniform Rules of the Road, and the Department of Driver Services, respectively, so as to

By inserting after "vehicle;" on line 9 the following:

to provide for the issuance of a noncommercial Class C driver's license for the operation of three-wheeled motor vehicles equipped with a steering wheel for directional control; to provide for the issuance of a noncommercial Class M driver's license for the operation of motorcycles equipped with handlebars for directional control;

By inserting after "cards;" on line 14 the following:

to provide for the manner of riding a motorcycle;

By inserting between lines 87 and 88 the following:

SECTION 2A.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-23, relating to classes of licenses, by revising subsection (c) as follows:

"(c) The noncommercial classes of motor vehicles for which operators may be licensed shall be as follows:

Class C — Any single vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating not in excess of 26,000 pounds, any such vehicle towing a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating not in excess of 10,000 pounds, any such vehicle towing a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating in excess of 10,000 pounds, provided that the combination of vehicles has a gross combined vehicle weight rating not in excess of 26,000 pounds, any three-wheeled motor vehicle that is equipped with a steering wheel for directional control, and any self-propelled or towed vehicle that is equipped to serve as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel purposes and is used solely as a family or personal conveyance; except that any combination of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating not in excess of 26,000 pounds may be operated under such class of license if such

combination of vehicles are controlled and operated by a farmer, used to transport agricultural products, livestock, farm machinery, or farm supplies to or from a farm, and are not used in the operations of a common or contract carrier;

Class D — Provisional license applicable to noncommercial Class C vehicles for which an applicant desires a driver's license but is not presently licensed to drive;

Class E — Any combination of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,001 pounds or more, provided that the gross vehicle weight rating of the vehicle or vehicles being towed is in excess of 10,000 pounds, and all vehicles included within Class F and Class C;

Class F — Any single vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,001 pounds or more, any such vehicle towing a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating not in excess of 10,000 pounds, and all vehicles included within Class C;

Class M — Motorcycles, motor driven cycles, and three-wheeled motorcycles equipped with handlebars for directional control;

Class P — Instruction permit applicable to all types of vehicles for which an applicant desires a driver's license but is not presently licensed to drive.

(d) Any applicant for a Class E or Class F license must possess a valid Georgia driver's license for Class C vehicles. A license issued pursuant to this Code section shall not be a commercial driver's license."

By inserting between lines 204 and 205 the following:

SECTION 6A.

Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Uniform Rules of the Road, is amended in Code Section 40-6-311, relating to manner of riding a motorcycle, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b) A person shall ride upon a motorcycle equipped with handlebars for directional control only ~~while~~ by sitting astride the seat, facing forward, and with one leg on either side of the motorcycle."