

IC 9-27-7

Chapter 7. Motorcycle Operator Safety Education Program

IC 9-27-7-1

Application

Sec. 1. This chapter applies after December 31, 2011.

As added by P.L.145-2011, SEC.22.

IC 9-27-7-2

Certified chief instructor

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "certified chief instructor" means a licensed motorcycle operator who meets standards established by the bureau that are equivalent to or more stringent than those established by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation for instructors in motorcycle safety and education.

As added by P.L.145-2011, SEC.22.

IC 9-27-7-3

Bureau to develop a motorcycle operator safety education program

Sec. 3. The bureau shall develop and administer a motorcycle operator safety education program that, at a minimum, must:

- (1) provide motorcycle operator education;
- (2) provide instructor training;
- (3) increase public awareness of motorcycle safety; and
- (4) evaluate and recommend improvements to the motorcycle operator licensing system.

As added by P.L.145-2011, SEC.22.

IC 9-27-7-4

Appointment of program coordinator and training specialist of the motorcycle operator safety education program

Sec. 4. The commissioner shall appoint:

- (1) a program coordinator of the motorcycle operator safety education program developed under section 3 of this chapter who shall administer the motorcycle operator safety education program and conduct an annual evaluation; and
- (2) a training specialist of the motorcycle operator safety education program developed under section 3 of this chapter who shall:
 - (A) establish approved motorcycle driver education and training courses throughout Indiana;
 - (B) set program and funding guidelines; and
 - (C) supervise instructors and other personnel as necessary.

The training specialist must be a certified chief instructor and hold a valid license to operate a motorcycle.

As added by P.L.145-2011, SEC.22.

IC 9-27-7-5

Contracts for approved motorcycle driver education and training programs

Sec. 5. The bureau may enter into contracts with regional training centers or any other sites approved by the commissioner for the conduct of approved motorcycle driver education and training courses. If necessary, course sites may charge a reasonable tuition fee for the courses.

As added by P.L.145-2011, SEC.22.

IC 9-27-7-6

Advisory board

Sec. 6. (a) The commissioner shall appoint a five (5) member advisory board consisting of at least three (3) active motorcyclists to serve in an advisory capacity to the program.

(b) A member of the advisory board serves a three (3) year term. A member may not be appointed to more than two (2) consecutive full terms. Each member serves until the member's successor is appointed and qualified.

(c) A member of the advisory board may be removed for good cause.

(d) A vacancy on the advisory board shall be filled by the appointment by the commissioner of an individual to fill the position to which the vacating member was appointed under subsection (a) for the vacating member's unexpired term.

(e) A member of the advisory board is not subject to liability in a civil action for bodily injury or property damage arising from or thought to have arisen from an action taken in good faith as a member of the advisory board.

As added by P.L.145-2011, SEC.22. Amended by P.L.85-2013, SEC.78.

IC 9-27-7-7

Establishment of fund

Sec. 7. The motorcycle operator safety education fund is established. The commissioner shall administer the fund. The fund consists of money received from motorcycle registrations as provided under IC 9-29. The money in the fund may be used for the administration of the program and expenses related to the program, including:

- (1) reimbursement for course sites;
- (2) instructor training;
- (3) purchase of equipment and course materials; and
- (4) technical assistance.

As added by P.L.145-2011, SEC.22.