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STATE OF COLORADO**

PREAMENDED

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SENATE BILL 25-187

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Hinrichsen and Sullivan, Catlin, Simpson, Cutter, Kipp, Winter F.

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Martinez and Weinberg,

Senate Committees

Transportation & Energy
Appropriations

House Committees

Transportation, Housing & Local Government
Appropriations

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE MOTORCYCLE OPERATOR**
102 **SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF**
103 **THE STATE PATROL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY,**
104 **AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, IMPLEMENTING THE SUNSET**
105 **REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF**
106 **REGULATORY AGENCIES.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/>.)

Sunset Process - Senate Transportation and Energy

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.
Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.

SENATE
3rd Reading Unamended
April 14, 2025

SENATE
2nd Reading Unamended
April 11, 2025

Committee. The bill implements the recommendations of the department of regulatory agencies (department) regarding the motorcycle operator training program (MOST program), as contained in the department's sunset review of the MOST program, as follows:

- Continues the MOST program in the office of the chief of the state patrol in the department of public safety for 9 years, until September 1, 2034 (**sections 1 and 2** of the bill);
- Lowers the required minimum age to be a MOST instructor from 21 to 18 years of age (**section 3**);
- Removes the authority of the motorcycle operator safety advisory board to make recommendations on expenditures of money from the MOST fund (**section 4**); and
- Makes a technical change to align with the placement of the MOST program within the Colorado state patrol rather than the department of transportation (**section 5**).

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-104, **repeal**
3 (26)(a)(XII); and **add** (31)(a)(XIV) as follows:

4 **24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies**
5 **and functions for repeal, continuation, or reestablishment - legislative**
6 **declaration - repeal.** (26) (a) The following agencies, functions, or both,
7 are scheduled for repeal on September 1, 2025:

8 (XII) ~~The motorcycle operator safety training program created in~~
9 ~~part 5 of article 5 of title 43.~~

10 (31) (a) The following agencies, functions, or both, are scheduled
11 for repeal on September 1, 2030:

12 (XIV) THE MOTORCYCLE OPERATOR SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM
13 CREATED IN PART 5 OF ARTICLE 5 OF TITLE 43.

14 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 43-5-507 as
15 follows:

16 **43-5-507. Repeal of part.** This part 5 is repealed, effective

1 ~~September 1, 2025~~ SEPTEMBER 1, 2030. Before the repeal, this part 5 is
2 scheduled for review in accordance with section 24-34-104.

3 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 43-5-503, **amend**
4 (2)(a) as follows:

5 **43-5-503. MOST instructor requirements and training.** (2) To
6 be eligible, each applicant for an instructor certificate must:

7 (a) Be at least ~~twenty-one~~ EIGHTEEN years of age; and
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9 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 43-5-501, **amend**
10 (3.6) as follows:

11 **43-5-501. Definitions.** As used in this part 5, unless the context
12 otherwise requires:

13 (3.6) "MOST vendor" means a person that offers a motorcycle
14 operator safety training program that meets standards promulgated by the
15 ~~department of transportation~~ STATE PATROL.

16 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 43-5-504, **add** (4) as
17 follows:

18 **43-5-504. Motorcycle operator safety training fund - tuition**
19 **benefit - definitions.** (4) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS
20 SECTION TO THE CONTRARY, THE CHIEF MAY EXPEND MONEY FROM THE
21 FUND FOR A TUITION BENEFIT PAID TO **MOST** VENDORS TO BE PASSED ON
22 TO ELIGIBLE STUDENTS IN THE FORM OF REDUCED COSTS FOR ELIGIBLE
23 COURSES AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION (4).

24 (b) TO BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A TUITION BENEFIT TO PASS ON TO
25 ELIGIBLE STUDENTS, A **MOST** VENDOR SHALL PROVIDE A RECEIPT
26 ESTABLISHING THAT THE TUITION BENEFIT WAS PASSED ON TO AN ELIGIBLE
27 STUDENT WHO FULLY COMPLETED THE TRAINING AND ANY OTHER

1 DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED BY THE CHIEF AS ESTABLISHED BY RULE.

2 (c) THE CHIEF SHALL DETERMINE THE ALLOCATION FOR A MOST
3 VENDOR FOR THE TUITION BENEFIT ALLOWED IN THIS SUBSECTION (4)
4 BASED ON THE FOLLOWING FACTORS, OR AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY
5 RULE:

6 (I) THE AMOUNT OF MONEY IN THE FUND;

7 (II) FOR A MOST VENDOR THAT HAS BEEN CERTIFIED FOR OVER
8 TWO YEARS, THE HISTORICAL DATA FOR ELIGIBLE STUDENTS AND ELIGIBLE
9 COURSES OVER THE PREVIOUS TWO YEARS; OR

10 (III) FOR A MOST VENDOR THAT HAS BEEN CERTIFIED FOR TWO
11 YEARS OR LESS, THE AVAILABLE HISTORICAL DATA FOR ELIGIBLE
12 STUDENTS AND ELIGIBLE COURSES OR AN ESTIMATE OF THE ELIGIBLE
13 STUDENTS AND ELIGIBLE COURSES.

14 (d) AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION (4), UNLESS THE CONTEXT
15 OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

16 (I) "ELIGIBLE COURSE" MEANS A CERTIFIED MOTORCYCLE
17 OPERATOR SAFETY TRAINING COURSE THAT MEETS ALL REQUIREMENTS
18 ESTABLISHED BY RULE.

19 (II) "ELIGIBLE STUDENT" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ELIGIBLE
20 TO ENROLL IN AN ELIGIBLE COURSE AND WHO MEETS ALL OTHER
21 REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY RULE.

22 (e) THE CHIEF MAY ADOPT RULES AS NECESSARY FOR THE
23 IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SUBSECTION (4).

24 **SECTION 6. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
25 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
26 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
27 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V

1 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
2 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
3 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
4 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
5 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.