



STATE OF MICHIGAN
RUTH JOHNSON, SECRETARY OF STATE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 17, 2016

TO: Motorcycle Training Public Sponsors

FROM: Michigan Motorcycle Rider Safety Training Program
Driver Programs Division

SUBJECT: **Public Act 22 of 2016 – Course Fee Increase**

Public Act 22 of 2016 amends the Michigan Vehicle Code (MCL 257.811a) by increasing the motorcycle safety program fee that public sponsors may charge to “not more than \$50,” **effective May 23, 2016**. While the new law does not require public sponsors to raise their course fee, the Michigan Motorcycle Rider Safety Training Program strongly recommends that you incorporate the \$50 fee into your program’s fee structure at your earliest, reasonable opportunity **after the effective date**. Grant amendments to properly document the fee change will need to be completed and submitted to the Department prior to May 23, 2016. Additionally, separate lines will be provided in the 2016 year-end report for grantees to report the different income rates.

Because the student fee has not been raised since 1983, this increase is a modest one considering the educational benefits provided to students by the program. We anticipate that all public organizations will take advantage of this opportunity no later than the beginning of the 2017 training season.

If you have any questions, please contact the Michigan Motorcycle Rider Safety Training Program at motorcycling@michigan.gov or (517) 241-6850.