HOUSE BILL No. 5229

September 27, 2005, Introduced by Reps. Lipsey, Condino, Bieda, Hoogendyk and Alma Smith and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending section 307 (MCL 257.307), as amended by 2004 PA 502.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 307. (1) An applicant for an operator's or chauffeur's
- 2 license shall supply a birth certificate attesting to his or her
- 3 age or other sufficient documents or identification as the
- 4 secretary of state may require. THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL ACCEPT
- 5 AS 1 OF THE REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS AN IDENTIFICATION
- 6 CARD ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO PRISONERS WHO ARE
- PLACED ON PAROLE OR RELEASED FROM A CORRECTIONAL FACILITY,
- CONTAINING THE PRISONER'S NAME, PHOTOGRAPH, AND OTHER INFORMATION

- 1 IDENTIFYING THE PRISONER AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 37(4) OF THE
- 2 CORRECTIONS CODE OF 1953, 1953 PA 232, MCL 791.237. An application
- 3 for an operator's or chauffeur's license shall be made in a manner
- 4 prescribed by the secretary of state and shall contain all of the
- 5 following:
- 6 (a) The applicant's full name, date of birth, residence
- 7 address, height, sex, eye color, signature, other information
- 8 required or permitted on the license under this chapter, and, to
- 9 the extent required to comply with federal law, the applicant's
- 10 social security number. The applicant may provide a mailing address
- 11 if the applicant receives mail at an address different from his or
- 12 her residence address.
- 13 (b) The following notice shall be included to inform the
- 14 applicant that under sections 5090 and 509r of the Michigan
- 15 election law, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.5090 and 168.509r, the secretary
- 16 of state is required to use the residence address provided on this
- 17 application as the applicant's residence address on the qualified
- 18 voter file for voter registration and voting:
- 19 "NOTICE: Michigan law requires that the same address be used
- for voter registration and driver license purposes. Therefore,
- 21 if the residence address you provide in this application
- 22 differs from your voter registration address as it appears on
- 23 the qualified voter file, the secretary of state will
- 24 automatically change your voter registration to match the
- residence address on this application, after which your voter
- registration at your former address will no longer be valid

- for voting purposes. A new voter registration card, containing
- 2 the information of your polling place, will be provided to you
- 3 by the clerk of the jurisdiction where your residence address
- 4 is located.".
- 5 (c) For an original or renewal operator's or chauffeur's
- 6 license with a vehicle group designation or indorsement, the names
- 7 of all states where the applicant has been licensed to drive any
- 8 type of motor vehicle during the previous 10 years.
- **9** (d) For an operator's or chauffeur's license with a vehicle
- 10 group designation or indorsement, the following certifications by
- 11 the applicant:
- 12 (i) The applicant meets the applicable federal driver
- 13 qualification requirements under 49 CFR part 391 if the applicant
- 14 operates or intends to operate in interstate commerce or meets the
- 15 applicable qualifications under the rules promulgated by the
- 16 department of state police under the motor carrier safety act of
- 17 1963, 1963 PA 181, MCL 480.11 to 480.22, if the applicant operates
- 18 or intends to operate in intrastate commerce.
- (ii) The vehicle in which the applicant will take the driving
- 20 skills tests is representative of the type of vehicle the applicant
- 21 operates or intends to operate.
- 22 (iii) The applicant is not subject to disqualification by the
- 23 United States secretary of transportation, or a suspension,
- 24 revocation, or cancellation under any state law for conviction of
- 25 an offense described in section 312f or 319b.
- 26 (iv) The applicant does not have a driver's license from more

- 1 than 1 state or jurisdiction.
- 2 (e) An applicant for an operator's or chauffeur's license with
- 3 a vehicle group designation and a hazardous material indorsement (H
- 4 vehicle indorsement) shall provide his or her fingerprints that
- 5 were taken by a law enforcement official or a designated
- 6 representative for investigation as required by the uniting and
- 7 strengthening America by providing appropriate tools required to
- 8 intercept and obstruct terrorism (USA PATRIOT ACT) Act of 2001,
- **9** Public Law 107-56.
- 10 (2) Except as provided in this subsection, an applicant for an
- 11 operator's or chauffeur's license may have his or her image and
- 12 signature captured or reproduced when the application for the
- 13 license is made. An applicant required under section 5a of the sex
- 14 offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.725a, to maintain a
- valid operator's or chauffeur's license or official state personal
- 16 identification card shall have his or her image and signature
- 17 captured or reproduced when the application for the license is
- 18 made. The secretary of state shall acquire by purchase or lease the
- 19 equipment for capturing the images and signatures and may furnish
- 20 the equipment to a local unit authorized by the secretary of state
- 21 to license drivers. The secretary of state shall acquire equipment
- 22 purchased or leased pursuant to this section under standard
- 23 purchasing procedures of the department of management and budget
- 24 based on standards and specifications established by the secretary
- 25 of state. The secretary of state shall not purchase or lease
- 26 equipment until an appropriation for the equipment has been made by
- 27 the legislature. An image and signature captured pursuant to this

- 1 section shall appear on the applicant's operator's or chauffeur's
- 2 license. Except as provided in this subsection, the secretary of
- 3 state may retain and use a person's image and signature described
- 4 in this subsection only for programs administered by the secretary
- 5 of state. Except as provided in this subsection, the secretary of
- 6 state shall not use a person's image or signature, or both, unless
- 7 the person grants written permission for that purpose to the
- 8 secretary of state or specific enabling legislation permitting the
- 9 use is enacted into law. A law enforcement agency of this state has
- 10 access to information retained by the secretary of state under this
- 11 subsection. The information may be utilized for any law enforcement
- 12 purpose unless otherwise prohibited by law. The department of state
- 13 police shall provide to the secretary of state updated lists of
- 14 persons required to be registered under the sex offenders
- 15 registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.721 to 28.732, and the
- 16 secretary of state shall make the images of those persons available
- 17 to the department of state police as provided in that act.
- 18 (3) An application shall contain a signature or verification
- 19 and certification by the applicant, as determined by the secretary
- 20 of state, and shall be accompanied by the proper fee. The secretary
- 21 of state shall collect the application fee with the application.
- 22 The secretary of state shall refund the application fee to the
- 23 applicant if the license applied for is denied, but shall not
- 24 refund the fee to an applicant who fails to complete the
- 25 examination requirements of the secretary of state within 90 days
- 26 after the date of application for a license.
- 27 (4) In conjunction with the issuance of an operator's or

- 1 chauffeur's license, the secretary of state shall do all of the
- 2 following:
- 3 (a) Provide the applicant with all of the following:
- 4 (i) Written information explaining the applicant's right to
- 5 make an anatomical gift in the event of death in accordance with
- 6 section 310.
- 7 (ii) Written information describing the organ donation registry
- 8 program maintained by Michigan's federally designated organ
- 9 procurement organization or its successor organization. The written
- 10 information required under this subparagraph shall include, in a
- 11 type size and format that is conspicuous in relation to the
- 12 surrounding material, the address and telephone number of
- 13 Michigan's federally designated organ procurement organization or
- 14 its successor organization, along with an advisory to call
- 15 Michigan's federally designated organ procurement organization or
- 16 its successor organization with questions about the organ donor
- 17 registry program.
- 18 (iii) Written information giving the applicant the opportunity
- 19 to be placed on the organ donation registry described in
- 20 subparagraph (ii).
- 21 (b) Provide the applicant with the opportunity to specify on
- 22 his or her operator's or chauffeur's license that he or she is
- 23 willing to make an anatomical gift in the event of death in
- 24 accordance with section 310.
- 25 (c) Inform the applicant in writing that, if he or she
- 26 indicates to the secretary of state under this section a
- 27 willingness to have his or her name placed on the organ donor

- 1 registry described in subdivision (a)(ii), the secretary of state
- 2 will forward the applicant's name and address to the organ donation
- 3 registry maintained by Michigan's federally designated organ
- 4 procurement organization or its successor organization, as required
- 5 by subsection (6).
- 6 (d) Provide the applicant with the opportunity to make a
- 7 donation of \$1.00 or more to the organ and tissue donation
- 8 education fund created under section 217o. A donation made under
- 9 this provision shall be deposited in the state treasury to the
- 10 credit of the organ and tissue donation education fund.
- 11 (5) The secretary of state may fulfill the requirements of
- 12 subsection (4) by 1 or more of the following methods:
- 13 (a) Providing printed material enclosed with a mailed notice
- 14 for an operator's or chauffeur's license renewal or the issuance of
- 15 an operator's or chauffeur's license.
- 16 (b) Providing printed material to an applicant who personally
- 17 appears at a secretary of state branch office.
- 18 (c) Through electronic information transmittals for operator's
- 19 and chauffeur's licenses processed by electronic means.
- 20 (6) If an applicant indicates a willingness under this section
- 21 to have his or her name placed on the organ donor registry
- 22 described in subsection (4)(a)(ii), the secretary of state shall
- 23 within 10 days forward the applicant's name and address to the
- 24 organ donor registry maintained by Michigan's federally designated
- 25 organ procurement organization or its successor organization. The
- 26 secretary of state may forward information under this subsection by
- 27 mail or by electronic means. The secretary of state shall not

- 1 maintain a record of the name or address of an individual who
- 2 indicates a willingness to have his or her name placed on the organ
- 3 donor registry after forwarding that information to the organ donor
- 4 registry under this subsection. Information about an applicant's
- 5 indication of a willingness to have his or her name placed on the
- 6 organ donor registry that is obtained by the secretary of state
- 7 under subsection (4) and forwarded under this subsection is exempt
- 8 from disclosure under the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442,
- **9** MCL 15.231 to 15.246, pursuant to section 13(1)(d) of the freedom
- 10 of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.243.
- 11 (7) If an application is received from a person previously
- 12 licensed in another jurisdiction, the secretary of state shall
- 13 request a copy of the applicant's driving record and other
- 14 available information from the national driver register. When
- 15 received, the driving record and other available information become
- 16 a part of the driver's record in this state.
- 17 (8) If an application is received for an original, renewal, or
- 18 upgrade of a vehicle group designation or indorsement, the
- 19 secretary of state shall request the person's complete driving
- 20 record from all states where the applicant was previously licensed
- 21 to drive any type of motor vehicle over the last 10 years before
- 22 issuing a vehicle group designation or indorsement to the
- 23 applicant. If the applicant does not hold a valid commercial motor
- 24 vehicle driver license from a state where he or she was licensed in
- 25 the last 10 years, this complete driving record request must be
- 26 made not earlier than 24 hours before the secretary of state issues
- 27 the applicant a vehicle group designation or indorsement. For all

- 1 other drivers, this request must be made not earlier than 10 days
- 2 before the secretary of state issues the applicant a vehicle group
- 3 designation or indorsement. The secretary of state shall also check
- 4 the applicant's driving record with the national driver register
- 5 and the federal commercial driver license information system before
- 6 issuing that group designation or indorsement. If the application
- 7 is for the renewal of a vehicle group designation or indorsement,
- 8 and if the secretary of state enters on the person's historical
- 9 driving record maintained under section 204a a notation that the
- 10 request was made and the date of the request, the secretary of
- 11 state is required to request the applicant's complete driving
- 12 record from other states only once under this section.
- 13 (9) Except for a vehicle group designation or indorsement or
- 14 as provided in this subsection, the secretary of state may issue a
- 15 renewal operator's or chauffeur's license for 1 additional 4-year
- 16 period by mail or by other methods prescribed by the secretary of
- 17 state. The secretary of state may check the applicant's driving
- 18 record through the national driver register and the commercial
- 19 driver license information system before issuing a license under
- 20 this section. The secretary of state shall issue a renewal license
- 21 only in person if the person is a person required under section 5a
- 22 of the sex offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.725a, to
- 23 maintain a valid operator's or chauffeur's license or official
- 24 state personal identification card. If a license is renewed by mail
- 25 or by other method, the secretary of state shall issue evidence of
- 26 renewal to indicate the date the license expires in the future. The
- 27 department of state police shall provide to the secretary of state

- 1 updated lists of persons required under section 5a of the sex
- 2 offenders registration act, 1994 PA 295, MCL 28.725a, to maintain a
- 3 valid operator's or chauffeur's license or official state personal
- 4 identification card.
- 5 (10) Upon request, the secretary of state shall provide an
- 6 information manual to an applicant explaining how to obtain a
- 7 vehicle group designation or indorsement. The manual shall contain
- 8 the information required under 49 CFR part 383.
- 9 (11) The secretary of state shall not disclose a social
- 10 security number obtained under subsection (1) to another person
- 11 except for use for 1 or more of the following purposes:
- 12 (a) Compliance with 49 USC 31301 to 31317 and regulations and
- 13 state law and rules related to this chapter.
- 14 (b) Through the law enforcement information network, to carry
- out the purposes of section 466(a) of the social security act, 42
- 16 USC 666, in connection with matters relating to paternity, child
- 17 support, or overdue child support.
- 18 (c) To check an applicant's driving record through the
- 19 national driver register and the commercial driver license
- 20 information system when issuing a license under this act.
- (d) As otherwise required by law.
- 22 (12) The secretary of state shall not display a person's
- 23 social security number on the person's operator's or chauffeur's
- 24 license.
- 25 (13) A requirement under this section to include a social
- 26 security number on an application does not apply to an applicant
- 27 who demonstrates he or she is exempt under law from obtaining a

- 1 social security number or to an applicant who for religious
- 2 convictions is exempt under law from disclosure of his or her
- 3 social security number under these circumstances. The secretary of
- 4 state shall inform the applicant of this possible exemption.
- 5 (14) THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL HAVE ELECTRONIC ACCESS TO
- 6 PRISONER BIOGRAPHY INFORMATION MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 7 CORRECTIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF VERIFYING THE IDENTITY OF A PRISONER
- 8 WHO APPLIES FOR AN OPERATOR'S OR CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE UNDER
- 9 SUBSECTION (1).
- 10 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 11 unless Senate Bill No.____ or House Bill No. 5230(request no.
- 12 02035'05 a) of the 93rd Legislature is enacted into law.

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