

# HOUSE BILL NO. 4721

June 13, 2019, Introduced by Reps. LaFave, Hall, Berman, Markkanen, Paquette, Marino, Afendoulis, Steven Johnson and LaGrand and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled  
"Michigan vehicle code,"  
by amending section 301 (MCL 257.301), as amended by 2011 PA 159.

## **THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 301. (1) Except as provided in this act, a person shall  
2 not drive a motor vehicle upon a highway in this state unless that  
3 person has a valid operator's or chauffeur's license with the  
4 appropriate group designation and indorsements for the type or  
5 class of vehicle being driven or towed. A resident of this state



1 holding a commercial driver's license group indorsement issued by  
2 another state shall apply for a license transfer within 30 days  
3 after establishing domicile in this state.

4 (2) A person shall not receive a license to operate a motor  
5 vehicle until that person surrenders to the secretary of state all  
6 valid licenses to operate a motor vehicle issued to that person by  
7 this or any state or certifies that he or she does not possess a  
8 valid license. The secretary of state shall notify the issuing  
9 state that the licensee is now licensed in this state.

10 (3) A person shall not have more than 1 valid driver's  
11 license.

12 (4) A person shall not drive a motor vehicle as a chauffeur  
13 unless that person holds a valid chauffeur's license. A person  
14 shall not receive a chauffeur's license until that person  
15 surrenders to the secretary of state a valid operator's or  
16 chauffeur's license issued to that person by this or any state or  
17 certifies that he or she does not possess a valid license.

18 (5) A person holding a valid chauffeur's license need not  
19 procure an operator's license.

20 (6) **Subject to subsection (7) and except as provided under**  
21 **subsection (8), a person who violates subsection (1) is responsible**  
22 **for a civil infraction and must be ordered to pay a civil fine of**  
23 **\$330.00 if both of the following apply:**

24 (a) **The person's operator's license was expired at the time of**  
25 **the violation.**

26 (b) **The person is eligible to renew his or her operator's**  
27 **license under this act.**

28 (7) **If, within 60 days after a violation described in**  
29 **subsection (6), a person renews his or her operator's license under**



1 this act, that person is not subject to the civil fine under  
2 subsection (6).

3 (8) A person who violates subsection (1) is guilty of a  
4 misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90 days or  
5 a fine of \$500.00, or both, if all of the following apply:

6 (a) The person's operator's license was expired at the time of  
7 the violation.

8 (b) The person is eligible to renew his or her operator's  
9 license under this act.

10 (c) The violation is the person's second or subsequent  
11 violation of subsection (1) for driving a motor vehicle on a  
12 highway of this state with an operator's license that was expired  
13 at the time of the violation.