



1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 673

November 9, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives GARD and KREIBICH, cosponsored by Senators CLAUSING and A. LASEE, by request of Paul Bukouricz. Referred to Committee on Highways and Transportation.

1 **AN ACT to renumber and amend** 343.135 (1) (a) 1.; **to amend** 343.135 (2) (a)
2 1.; and **to create** 343.135 (1) (a) 1m., 343.135 (3m) and 343.135 (5m) of the
3 statutes; **relating to:** the minimum age for a special restricted operator's
4 license for mopeds and motorized bicycles only and granting rule-making
5 authority.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the department of transportation (DOT) issues a special restricted operator's license to any person who is at least 16 years old, or who is at least 14 years old and physically disabled, and who satisfies certain testing and application requirements. A person issued a special restricted operator's license may operate on any highway in this state a motor bicycle or moped designed to operate at a maximum speed not exceeding 30 miles per hour, or a specially designed vehicle approved by DOT that is designed to operate at a maximum speed not exceeding 35 miles per hour. A special restricted operator's license is valid for not more than 2 years.

This bill lowers the minimum age for a special restricted operator's license to operate only mopeds or motor bicycles from 16 years to 14 years old. The bill also directs DOT to charge an applicant for this license a fee that approximates the cost to DOT of processing the application and issuing the license if the applicant is between the ages of 14 and 16 years old and is not physically disabled.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

