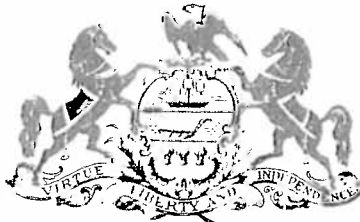


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MEMORANDUM

To: All House Members
From: Representative Seth Grove
196th Legislative District
Date: January 5, 2011
Subject: Co-sponsorship – Increasing Motorcycle Safety (**Former HB 2209**)

In the near future, I will be reintroducing House Bill 2209 from the 2009-2010 session that will increase motorcycle safety by amending Title 75 to prohibit motorcycle learners permits from being renewed after one year and restricting reapplications to only three times in ten years. The legislation would also change junior drivers licensing so minors will be required to have completed the same requirements as minors obtaining regular junior drivers licenses, with the addition of the completion of an approved motorcycle safety course, before they can receive licenses to operate motorcycles.

Generally speaking, motorcyclists are responsible and ride safely, but accidents on motorcycles are far more dangerous than in cars. The University of Southern California conducted a major study on motorcycle accidents and concluded that younger riders were disproportionately over-represented in accident data. These proposed changes are aimed at better preparing junior drivers for the road. The Alliance of Bikers Aimed Toward Education, A.B.A.T.E., is supportive on this proposed legislation.

Please join me in supporting these reasonable measures designed to better educate motorcycle riders who are most at risk and in turn make the roads safer for all Pennsylvanians. If you would like to cosponsor this legislation, please contact Lisa Burkholder at lburkhol@pahousegop.com or 717-783-2655. Thank you for your consideration.

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