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**AN ACT  
ESTABLISHING A MANDATORY MOTORCYCLE SAFETY TRAINING  
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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

It is the policy of the State to protect and promote the well-being of its citizens. It is, therefore, the duty of the government to establish laws and programs that will ensure safe, viable and dependable road transportation in the country.

Given the surge in the number of road accidents that either kill or injure passengers, drivers and pedestrians on the road in recent years, road safety has become both a transportation and public health issue. Based on data from the Philippine Statistics Authority, motorcycle-related injuries comprise 69% of the total identified transport incidents nationwide.<sup>1</sup>

Motorcycle riders have been the top victims of road crashes in Metro Manila since 2010. In Metro Manila alone, the Accident Recording and Analysis System program of the Metro Manila Development Authority reports that motorcycles rank 1<sup>st</sup> among vehicles that are involved in fatal road accidents.<sup>2</sup>

Furthermore, there is a need to look into the proliferation of motorcycles nationwide. According to the Land Transportation Office (LTO), of the total 8.7 million vehicles registered with the LTO for 2015, 4.8 million are motorcycles.

In response to the need to curtail the incidence and prevalence of deaths and injuries, property damages and socio-economic losses caused by road accidents and in recognition to the imminent need to promote a proactive road safety program, this proposed measure aims to mandate the LTO to conduct a motorcycle safety training

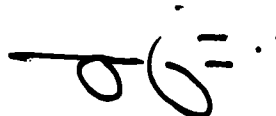
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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.rappler.com/move-ph/issues/road-safety/166151-road-crashes-philippines-awareness-safety>

<sup>2</sup> <https://archive.org/details/MMARASAnnualReport2016>

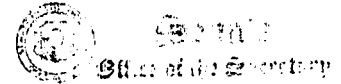
program for motorcycles owners. This proposed bill requires the LTO to include as a requirement in the registration of motorcycles the certificate of completion issued to the motorcycle owner upon completion of the training program.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate enactment of this measure is earnestly sought.

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**SENATOR JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO**

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*

1           **SECTION 1. Short Title.** – This Act shall be known as the "**Motorcycle**  
2           **Safety Training Act of 2018**"

3           **SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy.** - It is hereby declared the policy of the State  
4 to protect and promote the well-being and health of the people. It is also the policy  
5 of the State to promote awareness and instill consciousness among all Filipinos,  
6 especially those who are purchasing motor vehicles, on the importance of road safety.  
7 Towards this end, the State shall mandate a motorcycle safety training program on  
8 the pertinent road safety standards, regulations and laws in order to promote  
9 compliance and prevent the occurrence of motorcycle road accidents.

10           **SEC. 3. Motorcycle Safety Training.** – A mandatory motorcycle safety  
11 training for motorcycle owners shall be conducted by the Land Transportation Office  
12 (LTO). A certificate bearing the name of the motorcycle owner shall immediately be  
13 released to the latter upon completion of the training.

1           **SEC. 4. Registration of Motorcycles.** – The LTO shall include as a pre-  
2 requisite in registration of motorcycles the submission of the certificate of completion  
3 in the Motorcycle Safety Training Program issued by the LTO. The LTO shall maintain  
4 a record of the submitted certificates and shall produce the same when there exists a  
5 claim of falsity of the document.

6           **SEC. 5. Training Program and Manual.** - The Department of Transportation  
7 (DOTr) and the Land Transportation Office (LTO), in consultation with road safety  
8 advocates and organizations, shall establish a Comprehensive Motorcycle Safety  
9 Training Program and Manual which shall include, but not be limited to, driving rules  
10 and regulations, driving courtesy, driving safety, road hazards, and vehicle safety  
11 features. The Comprehensive Motorcycle Safety Training Program and Manual shall  
12 be used by the LTO in the conduct of its training for motorcycle owners.

13           Supplementary topics related to road safety issues and drivers' education may  
14 be added periodically to further enhance the awareness and knowledge of the  
15 motorcycle owners.

16           **SEC. 6. Penalties.** – A motor vehicle registration issued to an owner of a  
17 motorcycle, which has been fraudulently obtained by falsifying a certificate of  
18 completion shall be revoked and the motorcycle owner shall be fined in the amount  
19 of Fifty thousand pesos (P50,000.00).

20           Any officer or employee of the LTO who has allowed the registration of a  
21 motorcycle without the necessary certificate of completion required under Section 4  
22 of this Act or with knowledge of the falsity of the document shall be suspended from  
23 the LTO for a period of six (6) months without pay.

24           The penalties enumerated herein shall be without prejudice to the liability that  
25 may be incurred under the Revised Penal Code and other existing laws.

1           **SEC. 7. Nationwide Public Information Campaign.** – The DOTr, DTI and  
2 the Philippine Information Agency (PIA) shall undertake a nationwide information  
3 education and communication (IEC) campaign for a period of six (6) months for the  
4 attainment of the objectives of this Act.

5           **SEC. 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** – Within sixty (60) days  
6 from the effectivity of this Act, The DOTr, together with the LTO, shall promulgate  
7 and issue the necessary rules and regulations for the implementation of this Act.

8           **SEC. 9. Separability Clause.** – If any provision of his Act is declared invalid  
9 or unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain valid.

10           **SEC. 10. Repealing Clause.** – All acts, executive orders, administrative  
11 orders, proclamations, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with any of  
12 the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

13           **SEC. 11. Effectivity.** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its  
14 publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

*Approved,*