HOUSE BILL NO. 5148

October 28, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Steckloff, DeSana, Rogers, Neyer, McKinney, Harris, Hoskins, Brixie, Hope, Scott, Martus, Bierlein, Price, Dievendorf, McFall, Wooden, Glanville, Foreman, Myers-Phillips, Young, Paiz, Skaggs, Breen, Conlin, BeGole, Hoadley and Edwards and referred to Committee on Regulatory Reform.

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

by amending sections 676d and 907 (MCL 257.676d and 257.907), section 676d as amended by 2020 PA 141 and section 907 as amended by 2024 PA 164.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 676d. (1) A local unit of government shall not require as
- 2 a term of a contract with a wrecker, recovery, or towing service
- 4 fee to that local unit of government for responding to the scene of

- 1 an impound, accident, disabled vehicle, or abandoned vehicle and
- 2 providing wrecker, recovery, or towing services. A local unit of
- 3 government shall not accept a payment, commission, or portion of
- 4 wrecker, recovery, or towing service agency fees from a wrecker,
- 5 recovery, or towing service agency in exchange for securing
- 6 business for that wrecker, recovery, or towing service.agency.
- 7 (2) A wrecker, recovery, or towing service agency shall not
- 8 offer to a local unit of government a payment, fee, or commission
- 9 to induce the local unit of government to enter into a contract
- 10 with or secure business for the wrecker, recovery, or towing
- 11 service.agency.
- 12 (3) This section only applies to a contract between a local
- 13 unit of government and a wrecker, recovery, or towing service
- 14 agency that is entered into or renewed after January 7, 2015.
- 15 Sec. 907. (1) A violation of this act, or a local ordinance
- 16 that substantially corresponds to a provision of this act, that is
- 17 designated a civil infraction must not be considered a lesser
- 18 included offense of a criminal offense.
- 19 (2) Permission may be granted for payment of a civil fine and
- 20 costs to be made within a specified period of time or in specified
- 21 installments but, unless permission is included in the order or
- 22 judgment, the civil fine and costs must be payable immediately.
- 23 Except as otherwise provided, a person found responsible or
- 24 responsible "with explanation" for a civil infraction must pay
- 25 costs as provided in subsection (4) and 1 or more of the following
- 26 civil fines, as applicable:
- 27 (a) Except as otherwise provided, for a civil infraction under
- 28 this act or a local ordinance that substantially corresponds to a
- 29 provision of this act, the person must be ordered to pay a civil

- 1 fine of not more than \$100.00.
- 2 (b) If the civil infraction was a moving violation that
- 3 resulted in an at-fault collision with another vehicle, an
- 4 individual, or any other object, the civil fine ordered under this
- 5 section is increased by \$25.00 but the total civil fine must not be
- 6 more than \$100.00.

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- 7 (c) For a violation of section 240, the civil fine ordered
- 8 under this section is \$15.00.
 - (d) For a violation of section 283, the civil fine ordered
- 10 under this section must not be more than \$1,000.00.
- (e) $\frac{\text{(d)}}{\text{For a violation of section 312a(4)(a), the civil fine}}$
- 12 ordered under this section must not be more than \$250.00.
- (f) (e) For a first violation of section 319f(1), the civil
- 14 fine ordered under this section must not be less than \$2,500.00 or
- 15 more than \$2,750.00; for a second or subsequent violation, the
- 16 civil fine must not be less than \$5,000.00 or more than \$5,500.00.
- (g) (f) For a violation of section 319g(1)(a), the civil fine
- 18 ordered under this section must not be more than \$10,000.00.
- (h) $\frac{(q)}{(q)}$ For a violation of section 319q(1)(q), the civil fine
- 20 ordered under this section must not be less than \$2,750.00 or more
- 21 than \$25,000.00.
- 22 (i) (h)—For a violation of section 602b, the civil fine
- 23 ordered under this section must be as follows:
- 24 (i) For a violation of section 602b(1), either of the
- 25 following:
- 26 (A) If the violation does not involve an accident, \$100.00 for
- 27 a first offense and \$250.00 for a second or subsequent offense.
- 28 (B) If the violation involves an accident, \$200.00 for a first
- 29 offense and \$500.00 for a second or subsequent offense.

- 1 (ii) For a violation of section 602b(2), either of the 2 following:
- 3 (A) If the violation does not involve an accident, \$200.00 for 4 a first offense and \$500.00 for a second or subsequent offense.
- (B) If the violation involves an accident, \$400.00 for a firstoffense and \$1,000.00 for a second or subsequent offense.
- 7 (j) (i) For a violation of section 627c, the civil fine
 8 ordered under this section must not be more than \$150.00 for a
 9 second violation as described in section 627c(2)(b) and \$300.00 for
 10 a third or subsequent violation described in section 627c(2)(c).
- (k) (j) For a violation of section 674(1)(s) or a local
 ordinance that substantially corresponds to section 674(1)(s), the
 civil fine ordered under this section must not be less than \$100.00
 or more than \$250.00.
- 15 (*l*) $\frac{(k)}{(k)}$ For a violation of section 676a(3), the civil fine ordered under this section must not be more than \$10.00.
- 17 (m) $\frac{(l)}{(l)}$ For a violation of section 676c, the civil fine ordered under this section is \$1,000.00.
- (o) (n) For a violation of section 710d, the civil fine
 ordered under this section must not be more than \$10.00, subject to
 subsection (11).
- (p) (o) For a violation of section 710e, the civil fine and
 court costs ordered under this subsection must be \$25.00.
- 28 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, if an29 individual is determined to be responsible or responsible "with

- 1 explanation" for a civil infraction under this act or a local
- 2 ordinance that substantially corresponds to a provision of this act
- 3 while driving a commercial motor vehicle, the individual must be
- 4 ordered to pay costs as provided in subsection (4) and a civil fine
- **5** of not more than \$250.00.
- **6** (4) If a civil fine is ordered under subsection (2) or (3),
- 7 the judge or district court magistrate shall summarily tax and
- 8 determine the costs of the action, which are not limited to the
- 9 costs taxable in ordinary civil actions, and may include all
- 10 expenses, direct and indirect, to which the plaintiff has been put
- 11 in connection with the civil infraction, up to the entry of
- 12 judgment. Costs must not be ordered in excess of \$100.00. A civil
- 13 fine ordered under subsection (2) or (3) must not be waived unless
- 14 costs ordered under this subsection are waived. Except as otherwise
- 15 provided by law, costs are payable to the general fund of the
- 16 plaintiff.
- 17 (5) In addition to a civil fine and costs ordered under
- 18 subsection (2) or (3) and subsection (4) and the justice system
- 19 assessment ordered under subsection (12), the judge or district
- 20 court magistrate may order the individual to attend and complete a
- 21 program of treatment, education, or rehabilitation.
- 22 (6) A district court magistrate shall impose the sanctions
- 23 permitted under subsections (2), (3), and (5) only to the extent
- 24 expressly authorized by the chief judge or only judge of the
- 25 district court district.
- 26 (7) Each district of the district court and each municipal
- 27 court may establish a schedule of civil fines, costs, and
- 28 assessments to be imposed for civil infractions that occur within
- 29 the respective district or city. If a schedule is established, it

- 1 must be prominently posted and readily available for public
- 2 inspection. A schedule need not include all violations that are
- 3 designated by law or ordinance as civil infractions. A schedule may
- 4 exclude cases on the basis of a defendant's prior record of civil
- 5 infractions or traffic offenses, or a combination of civil
- 6 infractions and traffic offenses.
- 7 (8) The state court administrator shall annually publish and
- 8 distribute to each district and court a recommended range of civil
- 9 fines and costs for first-time civil infractions. This
- 10 recommendation is not binding on the courts that have jurisdiction
- 11 over civil infractions but is intended to act as a normative guide
- 12 for judges and district court magistrates and a basis for public
- 13 evaluation of disparities in the imposition of civil fines and
- 14 costs throughout this state.
- 15 (9) If a person has received a civil infraction citation for
- 16 defective safety equipment on a vehicle under section 683, the
- 17 court shall waive a civil fine, costs, and assessments on receipt
- 18 of certification by a law enforcement agency that repair of the
- 19 defective equipment was made before the appearance date on the
- 20 citation.
- 21 (10) A default in the payment of a civil fine or costs ordered
- 22 under subsection (2), (3), or (4) or a justice system assessment
- 23 ordered under subsection (12), or an installment of the fine,
- 24 costs, or assessment, may be collected by a means authorized for
- 25 the enforcement of a judgment under chapter 40 of the revised
- 26 judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.4001 to 600.4065, or
- 27 under chapter 60 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA
- 28 236, MCL 600.6001 to 600.6098.
- 29 (11) Before the effective date of 2024 PA 22, April 2, 2025,

- 1 the court may waive any civil fine, cost, or assessment against an
- 2 individual who received a civil infraction citation for a violation
- 3 of section 710d if the individual, before the appearance date on
- 4 the citation, supplies the court with evidence of acquisition,
- 5 purchase, or rental of a child seating system meeting the
- 6 requirements of section 710d. Beginning on the effective date of
- 7 2024 PA 22, April 2, 2025, the court may waive any civil fine,
- 8 cost, or assessment against an individual who received a civil
- 9 infraction citation for a violation of section 710d if the
- 10 individual, before the appearance date on the citation, supplies
- 11 the court with evidence of acquisition of a child seating system
- 12 that meets the requirements of section 710d and evidence that the
- 13 individual has received education from a certified child passenger
- 14 safety technician.
- 15 (12) In addition to any civil fines or costs ordered to be
- 16 paid under this section, the judge or district court magistrate
- 17 shall order the defendant to pay a justice system assessment of
- 18 \$40.00 for each civil infraction determination, except for a
- 19 parking violation or a violation for which the total fine and costs
- 20 imposed are \$10.00 or less. On payment of the assessment, the clerk
- 21 of the court shall transmit the assessment collected to the state
- 22 treasury to be deposited into the justice system fund created in
- 23 section 181 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL
- 24 600.181. An assessment levied under this subsection is not a civil
- 25 fine for purposes of section 909.
- 26 (13) If a person has received a citation for a violation of
- 27 section 223, the court shall waive any civil fine, costs, and
- 28 assessment on receipt of certification by a law enforcement agency
- 29 that the person, before the appearance date on the citation,

- produced a valid registration certificate that was valid on the
 date the violation of section 223 occurred.
- 3 (14) If a person has received a citation for a violation of
- 4 section 328(1) for failing to produce a certificate of insurance
- 5 under section 328(2), the court may waive the fee described in
- 6 section 328(3)(c) and shall waive any fine, costs, and any other
- 7 fee or assessment otherwise authorized under this act on receipt of
- 8 verification by the court that the person, before the appearance
- 9 date on the citation, produced valid proof of insurance that was in
- 10 effect when the violation of section 328(1) occurred. Insurance
- 11 obtained after the violation occurred does not make the person
- 12 eligible for a waiver under this subsection.
- (15) If a person is determined to be responsible or
- 14 responsible "with explanation" for a civil infraction under this
- 15 act or a local ordinance that substantially corresponds to a
- 16 provision of this act and the civil infraction arises out of the
- 17 ownership or operation of a commercial quadricycle, the person must
- 18 be ordered to pay costs as provided in subsection (4) and a civil
- 19 fine of not more than \$500.00.
- 20 (16) As used in this section, "moving violation" means an act
- 21 or omission prohibited under this act or a local ordinance that
- 22 substantially corresponds to this act that involves the operation
- 23 of a motor vehicle and for which a fine may be assessed.
- 24 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 25 unless all of the following bills of the 103rd Legislature are
- 26 enacted into law:

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- 27 (a) Senate Bill No. (request no. S00265'25) or House Bill
- 28 No. 5146 (request no. H00265'25).
- 29 (b) Senate Bill No. (request no. S03417'25) or House Bill

1 No. 5147 (request no. H03417'25).