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Abstract: Changes the requirements for wearing a safety helmet while operating or riding a motorcycle to include only those under twenty-one and those twenty-one and up that do not meet certain requirements.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits a person from operating or riding any motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or motorized bicycle unless the person is equipped with and is wearing on the head a safety helmet of the type and design manufactured for use by operators of such vehicles, which must be secured properly with a chin strap while the vehicle is in motion.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the requirement in <u>present law</u> by making it apply only to those under the age of 21 and those aged 21 and over who have not completed a motorcycle safety training course or do not have a motorcycle endorsement on their insurance policy as defined by <u>present law</u> (R.S. 32:863.3).

<u>Proposed law</u> specifies that enforcing provisions in <u>proposed law</u> cannot be the primary reason for a traffic stop to be conducted.

<u>Present law</u> specifies that all such safety helmets must consist of lining, padding, visor, and chin strap and must meet such other specifications as established by the commissioner.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

(Amends R.S. 32:190(A))