Be it enacted by the people of the State of Missouri:

A New Provision of the Missouri Statute 302.021

A person commits the crime of motorcycle passenger prohibition if such person fails to comply with the following:

1) A properly licensed Missouri operator of a motorcycle as defined by Missouri law shall not be allowed to have a passenger on his/her motorcycle until after the operator reaches the age of 21.

2) Once the properly licensed motorcycle operator reaches the age of 21, he or she shall also be required to attend and successfully complete a motorcycle rider-safety class which is approved by the License Bureau of the Missouri Department of Revenue.

3) The first violation of this offense is a Class C Misdemeanor unless the actor has previously been convicted of this offense, in which case it is a Class B Misdemeanor, unless the actor has previously been convicted twice of this offense, in which case it is a Class A Misdemeanor.

4) A person who is convicted of violating this statute will have committed a moving violation and shall have 3 points assessed against his/her Missouri operator’s license.

5) If the properly licensed Missouri operator of a motorcycle has maintained a motorcycle license for at least the previous 2 years and was born in 1984 or prior, he or she is not required to complete a motorcycle rider-safety class to have a passenger.