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### **ABSTRACT**

This research aimed to study the issues on specifying diseases in the medical certificate related to health or performance of the driver in asking for the driving license, the practical test and vehicle conditions the driving license's applicant using for the practical test, and measures on determination of punishment in case of no driving license according to Thai laws and foreign laws in order to suggest the resolutions in accordance with the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2522.

The research found that the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2522 determines the characteristics of the driving license's applicant, as well as rules and regulations to specify the criteria as an indicator of driver's performance before driving on the real road. Moreover, the penalties for lawbreakers have not been severe leading the incomplete system and mechanism of investigating offenses and lowering the supremacy of law in law enforcement. This is one of the factors that causes many drivers to lack good sense and have law-violating behaviors.

The suggestions from this study are to revise Section 46 of the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2522 and the ministerial regulation to specify criteria, methods, and requirements of applying for and issuing the driving license and renewal, and permission to renew the driving license B.E. 2548. Moreover, it should specify some diseases which are harmful to driving to be more apparent so that the requirements correspond with the present realities. It should also determine rules and regulations in specifying the standards of the practical test and vehicle conditions the driving license's applicant using for the practical test and resolve the laws by determining the higher degree of imprisonment and the same degree of

punishment in Section 64 of the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2522 for the drivers to respect and abide by law increasingly. It is one measure to protect and help decrease road accidents, as well as enhance the standards of law enforcement equally and fairly. The suggestion to increase the punishment of the offense shall lead the judgment according to offenses in the court's discretion to enhance standards of law enforcement which makes the drivers to beware of and abide by traffic rules increasingly.