

THE FLORIDA SENATE  
2021 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED  
**Committee on Transportation**

**HB 353 — Bicycle Operation Regulations**

by Rep. Hage (CS/SB 738 by Rules Committee and Senator Baxley)

The bill amends a current prohibition against a person operating a bicycle other than upon or astride a permanent and regular attached seat, providing that the prohibition applies unless the bicycle was designed by the manufacturer to be ridden without a seat. Under the bill, a person riding a bicycle manufactured without a seat would not be subject to an existing penalty for a violation of the prohibition.

The bill also amends existing electric bicycle regulations that afford an electric bicycle or electric bicycle operator the same rights, privileges, and duties of a bicycle or bicycle operator, providing that such regulations do not prevent a municipality, county, or agency of the state with jurisdiction over a beach or dune from restricting or prohibiting the operation of an electric bicycle on such beach or dune.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2021.

*Vote: Senate 39-0; House 116-0*