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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to motorcycles and motor-driven cycles; requiring passenger footrests and handholds on such cycles; limiting the height of handlebars; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. (1) A motorcycle or motor-driven cycle that is carrying a passenger, other than in a sidecar or enclosed cab, must be equipped with passenger footrests and handholds.

(2) A motorcycle or motor-driven cycle may not be operated if the handlebars are higher than the operator's shoulders when the operator is properly seated on the cycle.

(3) A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a nonmoving violation as provided in chapter 318, Florida Statutes.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.

SENATE SUMMARY

Requires motorcycles and motor-driven cycles that carry passengers to be equipped with footrests and handholds for passengers. Limits the height of handlebars.