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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1702

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BICYCLE SAFETY; TO
10 CLARIFY THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF A PERSON OPERATING A
11 BICYCLE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 SAFETY; AND TO CLARIFY THE RIGHTS AND
17 DUTIES OF A PERSON OPERATING A BICYCLE.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-51-1801(1), concerning the definition of
23 "bicycle", is amended to read as follows:

24 (1) "Bicycle" means a human-powered vehicle:

25 (A) With two (2) or more wheels in tandem, designed to
26 transport by the act of pedaling one (1) or more persons seated on one (1) or
27 more saddle seats on its frame; and

28 (B) Used on a public road, bicycle path, crosswalk, or
29 right-of-way; and
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31 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 51, Subchapter 18, is
32 amended to add additional sections to read as follows:

33 27-51-1804. Operation of bicycle upon crosswalk.

34 (a) A person operating a bicycle upon a crosswalk shall:

35 (1) Yield the right-of-way to pedestrians; and

36 (2) Give an audible signal before overtaking and passing a



1 pedestrian.

2 (b) Except as provided in subsection (a) of this section, a person
3 lawfully operating a bicycle upon a crosswalk has all the rights and duties
4 applicable to a pedestrian using the crosswalk under § 27-51-1202.

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6 27-51-1805. Speed restrictions.

7 A person operating a bicycle on a sidewalk, path, trail, across a
8 driveway, or upon a crosswalk shall not operate the bicycle at a speed
9 greater than is reasonable and prudent under the existing conditions and
10 shall give regard to the actual and potential hazards existing at that time.

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