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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1755

5
6 By: Representative G. Hodges

7 Filed with: House Committee on Public Transportation
8 pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

For An Act To Be Entitled

9
10 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF A
11 MOTORCYCLE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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14 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OPERATION
15 OF A MOTORCYCLE.

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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-20-101, concerning the definitions used
22 for the operation of motorcycles, motor-driven cycles, and motorized
23 bicycles, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

24 (5) "Lane splitting" means driving a motorcycle that has two
25 wheels in contact with the ground between a row of stopped or moving vehicles
26 in the same lane, including without limitation on a divided or undivided
27 street, road, or highway.

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29 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 20, Subchapter 1, is
30 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

31 27-20-121. Lane splitting – Educational guidelines.

32 (a) The operator of a motorcycle may practice lane splitting in this
33 state.

34 (b) The Division of Arkansas State Police may develop educational
35 guidelines relating to lane splitting that would ensure the safety of the

1 operator of the motorcycle and the driver and passengers of surrounding motor
2 vehicles.

3 (c) In developing educational guidelines under subsection (b) of this
4 section, the division may consult with an agency or organization that has an
5 interest in road safety and motorcyclist behavior, including without
6 limitation the Arkansas Department of Transportation.

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9 Referred requested by the Arkansas House of Representatives

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