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A Bill

SENATE BILL 365

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AUTOCYCLES; TO
9 INCLUDE AUTOCYCLES THAT OPERATE ON MOTOR FUEL; AND
10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

14 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AUTOCYCLES;
15 AND TO INCLUDE AUTOCYCLES THAT OPERATE ON
16 MOTOR FUEL.

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

21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-20-119 is repealed.

22 ~~27-20-119. Autocycles.~~

23 ~~The requirements and regulation of autocycles shall be as provided~~
24 ~~under the Electric Auto-cycle Act, § 27-20-301 et seq.~~

26 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-20-301 is amended to read as follows:

27 27-20-301. Title.

28 This subchapter shall be known and may be cited as the "~~Electric~~
29 Autocycle Act".

31 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 27-20-303 is amended to read as follows:

32 27-20-303. Definitions.

33 As used in this subchapter:

34 ~~(1)(A) "Autocycle" means a motorized cycle that exclusively uses~~
35 ~~a motor operated by electricity, is a zero-emission vehicle, and is:~~

36 ~~(i) At least sixty inches (60") in width;~~



1 ~~(ii) Not more than one hundred thirty five inches~~
 2 ~~(135") in length;~~

3 ~~(iii) At least one thousand pounds (1,000 lbs.) in~~
 4 ~~unladen weight;~~

5 ~~(iv) Equipped with:~~

6 (1)(A) "Autocycle" means a motorcycle as defined in § 27-
 7 49-219(c) that is equipped with:

8 ~~(a) (i) Three (3) low pressure tires;~~

9 ~~(b) (ii) A steering wheel;~~

10 ~~(c) (iii) Seating for at least one (1) person~~
 11 ~~but not more than four (4) persons~~ Seating that does not require the operator
 12 to straddle or sit astride the seat;

13 ~~(d) A fully enclosed metal or metal reinforced~~
 14 ~~cab with glass and mirrors that complies with § 27-37-301 et seq. regarding~~
 15 ~~safety glass and mirrors;~~

16 ~~(e) Doors with functioning handle locks that~~
 17 ~~are similar to the handle locks on motor vehicles;~~

18 ~~(f) (iv) Headlights as required under § 27-20-~~
 19 ~~104(a)(1);~~

20 ~~(g) (v) Tail lamps as required under § 27-20-~~
 21 ~~104(a)(3);~~

22 ~~(h) (vi) Brakes as required under § 27-20-~~
 23 ~~104(a)(4);~~

24 ~~(i) (vii) A working horn as required under §~~
 25 ~~27-20-104(a)(5); and~~

26 ~~(j) (viii) Signal lamps as provided under §~~
 27 ~~27-36-216; and~~

28 ~~(k) Seat belts as provided under § 27-37-701~~
 29 ~~et seq.~~

30 (B) An autocycle that is operated by electricity shall not
 31 be required to have a muffler ~~because it is a zero emission electric vehicle.~~

32 ~~(C) An autocycle may be equipped with a bed or cargo box~~
 33 ~~for hauling materials.~~

34 ~~(D) (C)~~ (C) An autocycle is a motor vehicle for the purposes
 35 of minimum insurance liability under the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility
 36 Act, § 27-19-101 et seq., and § 27-22-101 et seq.

1 ~~per hour; or~~

2 ~~(4) The autocycle cannot maintain a speed equal to the posted~~
3 ~~speed limit.~~

4 An autocycle that is operated by electricity shall not be operated on:

5 (1) An interstate highway; or

6 (2) A road or highway if:

7 (A) The operation of autocycles or motorcycles is
8 prohibited;

9 (B) The road is a controlled-access highway;

10 (C) The posted speed limit is more than fifty-five miles
11 per hour (55 m.p.h.); or

12 (D) The autocycle cannot maintain a speed equal to the
13 posted speed limit.

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15 *SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 27-49-219(c), concerning the definition of*
16 *"motorcycle", is amended to read as follows:*

17 *(c)(1) "Motorcycle" means ~~every~~ a motor vehicle having a seat or*
18 *saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three*
19 *(3) wheels in contact with the ground ~~but excluding a tractor.~~*

20 *(2) "Motorcycle" includes an autocycle as defined in § 27-20-*
21 *303.*

22 *(3) "Motorcycle" does not include a tractor.*

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24 /s/B. Sample