
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC BICYCLES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 249-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending the definition of "bicycle" to read as
3 follows:

4 "Bicycle" means ~~every~~:

- 5 (1) A device propelled solely by human power upon which
6 any person may ride, having two tandem wheels sixteen
7 inches in diameter or greater, and including any
8 device generally recognized as a bicycle though
9 equipped with two front or two rear wheels[-]; or
10 (2) A low-speed electric bicycle, as defined under title
11 15 United States Code section 2085; provided that an
12 operator of a low-speed electric bicycle shall be at
13 least fifteen years of age."

14 SECTION 2. Section 286-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
15 amended by amending the definition of "bicycle" to read as
16 follows:

17 "Bicycle" means ~~every~~:



- 1 (1) A device propelled solely by human power upon which
- 2 any person may ride, having two tandem wheels sixteen
- 3 inches in diameter or greater, and including any
- 4 device generally recognized as a bicycle though
- 5 equipped with two front or two rear wheels[-]; or
- 6 (2) A low-speed electric bicycle, as defined under title
- 7 15 United States Code section 2085; provided that an
- 8 operator of a low-speed electric bicycle shall be at
- 9 least fifteen years of age."

10 SECTION 3. Section 291C-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 11 amended by amending the definition of "bicycle" to read as
 12 follows:

13 ""Bicycle" means [~~every~~]:

- 14 (1) A vehicle propelled solely by human power upon which
- 15 any person may ride, having two tandem wheels, and
- 16 including any vehicle generally recognized as a
- 17 bicycle though equipped with two front or two rear
- 18 wheels except a toy bicycle[-]; or
- 19 (2) A low-speed electric bicycle, as defined under title
- 20 15 United States Code section 2085; provided that an



1 operator of a low-speed electric bicycle shall be at
2 least fifteen years of age."

3 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
4 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

5 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.



Report Title:

Transportation; Bicycles; Low-speed Electric Bicycles

Description:

Amends the definition of "bicycle" for the purposes of county vehicular taxes, highway safety laws, and Statewide Traffic Code by adding and defining low-speed electric bicycles and requiring that an operator of a low-speed electric bicycle be at least fifteen years of age. (SD1)

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