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ASSEMBLY, No. 2192

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED AUGUST 5, 1976

By Assemblymen ESPOSITO, FROUDE, DEVERIN, CALL,  
T. GALLO, YATES, BARBOUR, SCHUCK, HAMILTON,  
MARTIN, DENNIS and GEWERTZ

Referred to Committee on Transportation and Communications

AN ACT to amend and supplement "An act concerning motorized bicycles, amending R. S. 39:1-1 and supplementing Title 39 of the Revised Statutes," approved October 31, 1975 (P. L. 1975, c. 250) \*and amending R. S. 39:1-1\*.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 \*1. R. S. 39:1-1 is amended to read as follows:

2 39:1-1. As used in this subtitle, unless other meaning is clearly  
3 apparent from the language or context, or unless inconsistent with  
4 the manifest intention of the Legislature:

5 "Alley" means a public highway wherein the roadway does not  
6 exceed 12 feet in width.

7 "Authorized emergency vehicles" means vehicles of the fire de-  
8 partment, police vehicles and such ambulances and other vehicles  
9 as are approved by the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles  
10 in the Department of Law and Public Safety when operated in  
11 response to an emergency call.

12 "Automobile" includes all motor vehicles except motorcycles.

13 "Berm" means that portion of the highway exclusive of roadway  
14 and shoulder, bordering the shoulder but not to be used for vehi-  
15 ular travel.

16 "Business district" means that portion of a highway and the  
17 territory contiguous thereto, where within any 600 feet along such  
18 highway there are buildings in use for business or industrial pur-  
19 poses, including but not limited to hotels, banks, office buildings,  
20 railroad stations, and public buildings which occupy at least 300

**EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

21 feet of frontage on one side or 300 feet collectively or both sides  
22 of the roadway.

23 "Commercial motor vehicle" includes every type of motor-driven  
24 vehicle used for commercial purposes on the highways, such as the  
25 transportation of goods, wares and merchandise, excepting such  
26 vehicles as are run only upon rails or tracks and vehicles of the  
27 passenger car type used for touring purposes or the carrying of  
28 farm products and milk, as the case may be.

29 "Commissioner" means the Director of the Division of Motor  
30 Vehicles in the Department of Law and Public Safety of this State.

31 "Crosswalk" means that part of a highway at an intersection  
32 included within the connections of the lateral lines of the sidewalks  
33 on opposite sides of the highway measured from the curbs or, in the  
34 absence of curbs, from the edges of the shoulder or, if none, from  
35 the edges of the roadway; also, any portion of a highway at an  
36 intersection or elsewhere distinctly indicated for pedestrian cross-  
37 ing by lines or other marking on the surface.

38 "Dealer" includes every person actively engaged in the business  
39 of buying, selling or exchanging motor vehicles or motorcycles and  
40 who has an established place of business.

41 "Department" means the Division of Motor Vehicles in the  
42 Department of Law and Public Safety of this State acting directly  
43 or through its duly authorized officers or agents.

44 "Deputy commissioner" means deputy director of the Division  
45 of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Law and Public Safety.

46 "Deputy director" means deputy director of the Division of  
47 Motor Vehicles in the Department of Law and Public Safety.

48 "Director" means the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles  
49 in the Department of Law and Public Safety.

50 "Division" means the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Depart-  
51 ment of Law and Public Safety acting directly or through its duly  
52 authorized officers or agents.

53 "Driver" means the rider or driver of a horse, bicycle or motor-  
54 cycle or the driver or operator of a motor vehicle, unless otherwise  
55 specified.

56 "Explosives" means any chemical compound or mechanical  
57 mixture that is commonly used or intended for the purpose of  
58 producing an explosion and which contains any oxidizing and com-  
59 bustive units or other ingredients in such proportions, quantities,  
60 or packing that an ignition by fire, friction, by concussion, by  
61 percussion, or by detonator of any part of the compound or mixture  
62 may cause such a sudden generation of highly heated gases that the  
63 resultant gaseous pressures are capable of producing destructive  
64 effects on contiguous objects or of desroying life or limb.

65 “Farm tractor” means every motor vehicle designed and used  
66 primarily as a farm implement for drawing plows, mowing  
67 machines, and other implements of husbandry.

68 “Flammable liquid” means any liquid having a flash point below  
69 200° Fahrenheit, and a vapor pressure not exceeding 40 pounds.

70 “Gross weight” means the combined weight of a vehicle and any  
71 load thereon.

72 “Highway” means the entire width between the boundary lines  
73 of every way publicly maintained when any part thereof is open to  
74 the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel.

75 “Horse” includes mules and all other domestic animals used as  
76 draught animals or beasts of burden.

77 “Inside lane” means the lane nearest the center line of the road-  
78 way.

79 “Intersection” means the area embraced within the prolongation  
80 of the lateral curb lines or, if none, the lateral boundary lines of two  
81 or more highways which join one another at an angle, whether or  
82 not one such highway crosses another.

83 “Laned roadway” means a roadway which is divided into two  
84 or more clearly marked lanes for vehicular traffic.

85 “Limited-access highway” means every highway, street, or road-  
86 way in respect to which owners or occupants of abutting lands and  
87 other persons have no legal right of access to or from the same  
88 except at such points only and in such manner as may be determined  
89 by the public authority having jurisdiction over such highway,  
90 street, or roadway; and includes any highway designated as a  
91 “freeway” or “parkway” by authority of law.

92 “Local authorities” means every county, municipal and other  
93 local board or body having authority to adopt local police regula-  
94 tions under the Constitution and laws of this State, including every  
95 county board of chosen freeholders with relation to county roads.

96 “Magistrate” means any municipal court, county district court,  
97 criminal judicial district court, County Court and the Superior  
98 Court, and any officer having the powers of a committing magis-  
99 trate and the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles in the  
100 Department of Law and Public Safety.

101 “Manufacture” means a person engaged in the business of  
102 manufacturing or assembling motor vehicles, who will, under  
103 normal business conditions during the year, manufacture or  
104 assemble at least 10 new motor vehicles.

105 “Metal tire” means every tire the surface of which in contact  
106 with the highway is wholly or partly of metal or other hard non-  
107 resilient material.

108 "Motorized bicycle" means a pedal bicycle having a helper  
109 motor characterized in that *either* the maximum piston displace-  
110 ment is less than 50 cc. *or said motor is rated at* no more than 1.5  
111 brake horsepower and *said bicycle is capable of a maximum speed*  
112 *of no more than 25 miles per hour on a flat surface.*

113 "Motorcycle" includes motorcycles, motor bikes, bicycles with  
114 motor attached and all motor operated vehicles of the bicycle or  
115 tricycle type, [having a piston displacement of 50 cc. or more rated  
116 in excess of 1.5 brake horsepower and capable of maximum speeds  
117 in excess of 25 miles-per-hour,] *except motorized bicycles as defined*  
118 *in this section*, whether the motive power be a part thereof or  
119 attached thereto and having a saddle or seat with driver sitting  
120 astride or upon it, or a platform or which the driver stands.

121 "Motor-drawn vehicle" includes trailers, semitrailers, or any  
122 other type of vehicle drawn by a motor-driven vehicle.

123 "Motor vehicle" includes all vehicles propelled otherwise than  
124 by muscular power, excepting such vehicles as run only upon rails  
125 or tracks and motorized bicycles.

126 "Noncommercial truck" means every motor vehicle designed  
127 primary for transportation of property, and which is not a  
128 "commercial vehicle."

129 "Official traffic control devices" means all signs, signals, mark-  
130 ings, and devices not inconsistent with this subtitle placed or  
131 erected by authority of a public body or official having jurisdiction,  
132 for the purpose of regulating, warning, or guiding traffic.

133 "Omnibus" includes all motor vehicles used for the transporta-  
134 tion of passengers for hire, except school buses if the same are not  
135 otherwise used in the transportation of passengers for hire.

136 "Operator" means a person who is in actual physical control of  
137 a vehicle or street car.

138 "Outside lane" means the lane nearest the curb or outer edge of  
139 the roadway.

140 "Owner" means a person who holds the legal title of a vehicle, or  
141 if a vehicle is the subject of an agreement for the conditional sale or  
142 lease thereof with the right of purchase upon performance of the  
143 conditions stated in the agreement and with an immediate right of  
144 possession vested in the conditional vendee or lessee, or if a  
145 mortgagor of a vehicle is entitled to possession, then the conditional  
146 vendee, lessee or mortgagor shall be deemed the owner for the  
147 purpose of this subtitle.

148 "Parking" means the standing or waiting on a street, road or  
149 highway of a vehicle not actually engaged in receiving or discharg-

150 ing passengers or merchandise, unless in obedience to traffic regu-  
151 lations or traffic signs or signals.

152 “Passenger automobile” means all automobiles used and  
153 designed for the transportation of passengers, other than omni-  
154 buses and school buses.

155 “Pedestrian” means a person afoot.

156 “Person” includes natural persons, firms, copartnerships, asso-  
157 ciations, and corporations.

158 “Pneumatic tire” means every tire in which compressed air is  
159 designed to support the load.

160 “Pole trailer” means every vehicle without motive power  
161 designed to be drawn by another vehicle and attached to the towing  
162 vehicle by means of a reach, or pole, or by being boomed or other-  
163 wise secured to the towing vehicle, and ordinarily used for trans-  
164 porting long or irregularly shaped loads such as poles, pipes, or  
165 structural members capable, generally, of sustaining themselves as  
166 beams between the supporting connections.

167 “Private road or driveway” means every road or driveway not  
168 open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel.

169 “Railroad train” means a steam engine, electric or other motor,  
170 with or without cars coupled thereto, operated upon rails, except  
171 street cars.

172 “Residence district” means that portion of a highway and the  
173 territory contiguous thereto, not comprising a business district,  
174 where within any 600 feet along such highway there are buildings  
175 in use for business or residential purposes which occupy 300 feet  
176 or more of frontage on at least one side of the highway.

177 “Right-of-way” means the privilege of the immediate use of the  
178 highway.

179 “Road tractor” means every motor vehicle designed and used  
180 for drawing other vehicles and not so constructed as to carry any  
181 load thereon either independently or any part of the weight of a  
182 vehicle or load so drawn.

183 “Roadway” means that portion of a highway improved,  
184 designed, or ordinarily used for vehicular travel, exclusive of the  
185 berm or shoulder. In the event a highway includes two or more  
186 separate roadways the term “roadway” as used herein shall refer  
187 to any such roadway separately, but not to all such roadways,  
188 collectively.

189 “Safety zone” means the area or space officially set aside within  
190 a highway for the exclusive use of pedestrians, which is so plainly  
191 marked or indicated by proper signs as to be plainly visible at all  
192 times while set apart as a safety zone.

193 “School bus” means every motor vehicle operated by, or under  
194 contract with, a public or governmental agency, or religious or  
195 other charitable organization or corporation, or privately operated  
196 for compensation for the transportation of children to or from  
197 school for secular or religious education which complies with the  
198 regulations of the Department of Education affecting school buses  
199 including “School Vehicle Type I” and “School Vehicle Type II”  
200 as defined below:

201 “School Vehicle Type I” means any vehicle with a seating  
202 capacity of 17 or more, used to transport enrolled children, and  
203 adults only when serving as chaperones, to or from a school, school  
204 connected activity, day camp, summer day camp, nursery school,  
205 child care center, preschool center or other similar places of edu-  
206 cation. Such vehicle **[must]** *shall* comply with the regulations of  
207 the Division of Motor Vehicles and either the Department of Edu-  
208 cation or the Department of Institutions and Agencies whichever  
209 is the appropriate supervising agency.

210 “School Vehicle Type II” means any vehicle with a seating  
211 capacity of 16 or less, used to transport enrolled children, and  
212 adults only when serving as chaperones, to or from a school, school  
213 connected activity, day camp, summer day camp, nursery school,  
214 child care center, preschool center or other similar places of edu-  
215 cation. Such vehicle **[must]** *shall* comply with the regulations of  
216 the Division of Motor Vehicles and either the Department of Edu-  
217 cation or the Department of Institutions and Agencies whichever  
218 is the appropriate supervising agency.

219 “School zone” means that portion of a highway which is either  
220 contiguous to territory occupied by a school building or is where  
221 school crossings are established in the vicinity of a school, upon  
222 which are maintained appropriate “school signs” in accordance  
223 with specifications adopted by the director and in accordance with  
224 law.

225 “School crossing” means that portion of a highway where  
226 school children are required to cross the highway in the vicinity of  
227 a school.

228 “Semitrailer” means every vehicle with or without motive  
229 power, other than a pole trailer, designed for carrying persons or  
230 property and for being drawn by a motor vehicle and so constructed  
231 that some part of its weight and that of its load rests upon or is  
232 carried by another vehicle.

233 “Shoulder” means that portion of the highway, exclusive of and  
234 bordering the roadway, designed for emergency use but not ordi-  
235 narily to be used for vehicular travel.

236 "Sidewalk" means that portion of a highway intended for the  
237 use of pedestrians, between the curb line or the lateral line of a  
238 shoulder, or if none, the lateral line of the roadway, and the  
239 adjacent right-of-way line.

240 "Sign." See "Official traffic control devices."

241 "Slow-moving vehicle" means a vehicle run at a speed less than  
242 the maximum speed then and there permissible.

243 "Solid tire" means every tire of rubber or other resilient ma-  
244 terial which does not depend upon compressed air for the support  
245 of the load.

246 "Street" means the same as highway.

247 "Street car" means a car other than a railroad train for trans-  
248 porting persons or property and operated upon rails principally  
249 within a municipality.

250 "Stop," when required, means complete cessation from move-  
251 ment.

252 "Stopping or standing," when prohibited, means any cessation  
253 of movement of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except when  
254 necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with  
255 the directions of a police officer or traffic control sign or signal.

256 "Through highway" means every highway or portion thereof at  
257 the entrances to which vehicular traffic from intersecting highways  
258 is required by law to stop before entering or crossing the same and  
259 when stop signs are erected as provided in this chapter.

260 "Trackless trolley" means every motor vehicle which is pro-  
261 pelled by electric power obtained from overhead trolley wires but  
262 not operated upon rails.

263 "Traffic" means pedestrians, ridden or herded animals, vehicles,  
264 street cars, and other conveyances either singly, or together, while  
265 using any highway for purposes of travel.

266 "Traffic control signal" means a device whether manually,  
267 electrically, mechanically, or otherwise controlled by which traffic  
268 is alternately directed to stop and to proceed.

269 "Trailer" means every vehicle with or without motive power,  
270 other than a pole trailer, designed for carrying persons or property  
271 and for being drawn by a motor vehicle and so constructed that no  
272 part of its weight rests upon the towing vehicle.

273 "Truck" means every motor vehicle designed, used, or main-  
274 tained primarily for the transportation of property.

275 "Truck tractor" means every motor vehicle designed and used  
276 primarily for drawing other vehicles and not so constructed as to



277 carry a load other than a part of the weight of the vehicle and load  
278 so drawn.

279 "Vehicle" means every device in, upon or by which a person or  
280 property is or may be transported upon a highway, excepting  
281 devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary  
282 rails or tracks or motorized bicycles.

1 2. Section 2 of P. L. 1975, c. 250 (C. 39:4-14.3) is amended to  
2 read as follows:

3 2. a. Motorized bicycles shall not be **[used]** *operated* upon inter-  
4 state **[and primary]** *highways or upon public highways divided by*  
5 *a grass or concrete median or highways with posted speed limits in*  
6 *excess of 50 miles per hour or upon the railroad or right-of-way*  
7 *of an operating railroad within the State of New Jersey or upon*  
8 *any public land where expressly prohibited by the governing body,*  
9 *department or agency having jurisdiction thereof.*

10 *The Director of Motor Vehicles is authorized to adopt regula-*  
11 *tions either prohibiting the operation of motorized bicycles on any*  
12 *public road or highway with a speed limit in excess of 40 miles*  
13 *per hour which in his discretion are hazardous for the operation*  
14 *of motorized bicycles or permitting the operation of motorized*  
15 *bicycles on any public road or highway, upon which the operation*  
16 *of motorized bicycles is otherwise prohibited by the provisions of*  
17 *this section, which in his discretion are safe for the operation of*  
18 *motorized bicycles. In no case, however, shall the director adopt*  
19 *a regulation permitting motorized bicycles to be operated on any*  
20 *highway with a posted speed in excess of 50 miles per hour.*

21 *b. No municipality shall limit or otherwise restrict the opera-*  
22 *tion of mortorized bicycles on any public roads or highways under*  
23 *its jurisdiction in contravention of the provisions of this act or*  
24 *any regulations adopted by the director pursuant thereto.*

25 **[b.]** *c. Motorized bicycles shall not be operated by a person*  
26 *under 15 years of age.*

27 *d. No person shall operate a motorized bicycle unless he is in*  
28 *possession of a valid driver's license of any class or a motorized*  
29 *bicycle license which shall be issued by the director to any person*  
30 *15 years of age or older after he has passed a satisfactory examina-*  
31 *tion as to his ability as an operator. Such examination shall include*  
32 *a test of the applicant's knowledge of such portions of the mech-*  
33 *anism of motorized bicycles as is necessary to insure their safe*  
34 *operation and of the laws and ordinary usages of the road and a*  
35 *demonstration of his ability to operate a motorized bicycle.*

36 *The demonstration of an applicant's ability to operate a motor-*  
 37 *ized bicycle shall be administered at such municipalities that the*  
 38 *director shall designate under the supervision of the director, or*  
 39 *an officer, employee, or authorized agent of the Division of Motor*  
 40 *Vehicles in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by*  
 41 *the division.*

42 *The director may, in his discretion, issue a learner's permit to a*  
 43 *person 15 years of age or older allowing such person, for the pur-*  
 44 *pose of fitting himself to become a motorized bicycle driver, to*  
 45 *operate a motorized bicycle during daylight hours without super-*  
 46 *vision for a period not to exceed 45 days. The permit shall be*  
 47 *sufficient license for the person to operate a motorized bicycle. No*  
 48 *permit shall be issued unless the person applying therefor shall pay*  
 49 *the sum of \$5.00 to the director, or an officer, employee or agent*  
 50 *of the division.*

51 *e. The valid driver's license shall be in the possession of the*  
 52 *operator at all times when he is operating a motorized bicycle with*  
 53 *motor engaged on the highways of this State. The operator shall*  
 54 *exhibit his driver's license when requested to do so by any police*  
 55 *officer or magistrate, while in the performance of the duties of his*  
 56 *office and shall write his name in the presence of the officer, so*  
 57 *that the officer may thereby determine the identity of the licensee.*  
 58 *Any person violating this subsection shall be subject to a fine not*  
 59 *exceeding \$50.00.*

60 **[c. Regulations]** *f. Unless otherwise determined by the direc-*  
 61 *tor, statutes, rules and regulations applicable to bicycles shall apply*  
 62 *whenever a motorized bicycle is operated upon any [public road*  
 63 *or upon any path set aside for the exclusive use of motorized*  
 64 *bicycles] highway or upon any public land.*

65 *Every person operating a motorized bicycle upon a public road*  
 66 *or highway shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to the*  
 67 *driver of a vehicle by chapter 4 of Title 39 and N. J. S. 2A:113-9*  
 68 *and all amendments and supplements thereto.*

1 3. (New section) No person engaged in the business of selling  
 2 motorized bicycles at retail shall sell or offer to sell any motorized  
 3 bicycle unless such motorized bicycle is in conformity with this act  
 4 and regulations promulgated hereunder by the director.

1 4. (New section) Except as otherwise provided by this act, any  
 2 person who violates any of the provisions of this act shall be subject  
 3 to a fine not exceeding \$200.00 or imprisonment for a term not  
 4 exceeding 15 days or both.

1 5. (New section) The director may promulgate such rules and  
2 regulations as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this  
3 act.

1 6. (New section) A motorized bicycle shall carry only the  
2 operator.\*

1 \***[1.]** Section 2 of P. L. 1975, c. 250 (C. 39:4-14.3) is amended to  
2 read as follows:

3 2. a. Motorized bicycles shall not be used upon interstate **[and**  
4 **primary]** highways, *highways with four or more lanes divided by*  
5 *a grass or concrete median, highways with posted speed limits in*  
6 *excess of 50 miles per hour* or upon the railroad or right-of-way  
7 of an operating railroad within the State of New Jersey.

8 b. Motorized bicycles shall not be operated by a person under  
9 15 years of age.

10 c. Regulations applicable to bicycles shall apply whenever a  
11 motorized bicycle is operated upon any public road or upon any  
12 path set aside for the exclusive use of motorized bicycles.]\*

1 \***[2.]**\* \*\***[7.]**\* (New section) Any person in the business of rent-  
2 ing motorized bicycles shall be required to have each of such motor-  
3 ized bicycles covered by a policy of liability insurance in such  
4 amount as shall be determined by the director with the advice of the  
5 Commissioner of Insurance.]\*\*

6 \*\*7. *Every owner of a motorized bicycle principally garaged or*  
7 *operated in this State and every person in the business of renting*  
8 *motorized bicycles shall maintain liability insurance coverage,*  
9 *under provisions approved by the Commissioner of Insurance,*  
10 *insuring against loss resulting from liability imposed by law for*  
11 *bodily injury, death and property damage sustained by any person*  
12 *arising out of the ownership, operation or use of a motorized bicycle.*

13 *The Commissioner of Insurance, in consultation with the Director*  
14 *of the Division of Motor Vehicles, shall by regulation fix the*  
15 *amounts and limits of coverage of, and requirements for, such*  
16 *insurance.\*\**

1 \***[3.]**\* \*8.\* (New section) Article 15 of chapter 4 of Title 39 of  
2 the Revised Statutes pertaining to accidents and reports shall be  
3 applicable to all accidents involving motorized bicycles. Any law  
4 enforcement officer investigating an accident in which a motorized  
5 bicycle is involved shall report the accident to the Division of  
6 Motor Vehicles. Said report shall include information relating  
7 to the cause of the accident and extent of injury, if any, to the  
8 operator and such other information as may be required.

1 \***[4.]**\* \*9.\* This act shall take effect \***[immediately]**\* \*90 days  
2 following its enactment\*.

6 Motor Vehicles. Said report shall include information relating  
7 to the cause of the accident and extent of injury, if any, to the  
8 operator and such other information as may be required.

1 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

This bill makes more explicit the definition of primary highway for purposes of enforcement of the motorized bicycle law, requires those who rent motorized bicycles to maintain liability insurance, and requires accident reporting to the Division of Motor Vehicles to facilitate monitoring the safety record of motorized bicycles.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

FOR RELEASE IMMEDIATELY

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

OCTOBER 19, 1977

ANNE BURNS

Governor Brendan Byrne today signed into law the following bills:

AJR-3003, sponsored by Assemblyman William Hamilton (D-Middlesex) which creates a commission to study the major problems and concerns related to mobile home living.

Their study will investigate municipal zoning prohibitions and restrictions against the construction of mobile home parks, the structure of New Jersey tax laws and ordinances concerning the acquisition and ownership of mobile homes and the adequacy and fairness of existing regulations governing the financing of mobile homes in the state.

The Commission will consist of two assemblymen, two senators, and eight citizen members. The citizen members will include at least two members of the New Jersey Mobile Home Association, two members of the New Jersey Mobile Homeowners Association, one representative of the banking industry and one attorney specializing in the field of municipal planning and zoning.

The Commission is required to submit the results of its study to the Governor and the Legislature within two and one-half years from today.

~~A-2192~~, sponsored by Assemblyman Michael Esposito (D-Hudson), which places additional restrictions on the operation of mopeds in New Jersey.

The bill prohibits the operation of mopeds on public highways divided by a grass or concrete median or on highways with posted speed limits in excess of 50 miles per hour.

The bill prohibits people from driving a moped unless they have a driver's license or have obtained a motorized bicycle license. To receive such a license a person must be at least 15 years old and must pass a rules of the road test and a demonstration of operation. A \$5.00 fee is required for the license.

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Moped drivers are also prohibited from carrying passengers. The bill requires owners of mopeds to have liability insurance.

It takes effect in 90 days.

S-1758, sponsored by Senator John Skevin (D-Bergen), which establishes a cancer registry in New Jersey.

The bill requires the Department of Health to establish and maintain an up-to-date registry which will include a record of cancer cases and other pertinent information. The reports of specific cases of disease are not to be subject to public inspection and are excluded from materials to be made available for public inspection under the public records statute.

The bill appropriates \$200,000 to the Department of Health to administer the registry. The bill takes effect 30 days after enactment.

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