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LEGISLATIVE BILL 368

Introduced by Lowe, 37. Read first time January 13, 2017 Committee:

- A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motorcycles and mopeds; to amend section
 60-6,279, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change helmet
 provisions and passenger age limits; to require eye protection; and
 to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 60-6,279, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
 is amended to read:

3 60-6,279 (1) A person shall not operate a motorcycle or moped on
4 any highway in this state unless such person is wearing eye protection.

5 (2)(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (3) and (4) of this section, a A person shall not operate or be a passenger on a 6 7 motorcycle or moped on any highway in this state unless such person is wearing a protective helmet of the type and design manufactured for use 8 9 by operators of such vehicles and unless such helmet is secured properly on his or her head with a chin strap while the vehicle is in motion. All 10 such protective helmets shall be designed to reduce injuries to the user 11 resulting from head impacts and shall be designed to protect the user by 12 remaining on the user's head, deflecting blows, resisting penetration, 13 and spreading the force of impact. Each such helmet shall consist of 14 lining, padding, and chin strap and shall meet or exceed the standards 15 16 established in the United States Department of Transportation's Federal 17 Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 218, 49 C.F.R. 571.218, for motorcycle helmets. 18

(b) A person shall not be a passenger on a motorcycle or moped on
 any highway in this state unless such person is at least six years of
 age.

22 (3) A person who is at least twenty-one years of age is exempt from
 23 subdivision (2)(a) of this section.

24 (4) For purposes of this section, eye protection means glasses that 25 cover the orbital region of a person's face, a protective face shield 26 attached to a protective helmet, goggles, or a windshield on the 27 motorcycle or moped that protects the operator's and passenger's 28 horizontal line of vision in all operating positions.

Sec. 2. Original section 60-6,279, Reissue Revised Statutes of
Nebraska, is repealed.

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