THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY DRISCOLL, W. KELLER, MURT, D. COSTA, McNEILL, KINSEY, V. BROWN AND ROEBUCK, JANUARY 23, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 23, 2017

AN ACT

- Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in special vehicles and pedestrians, providing for equipment for self-propelled wheelchairs and electrical 3 mobility devices. 4 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 6 hereby enacts as follows: Section 1. Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated 7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read: 8 § 3549.1. Equipment for self-propelled wheelchairs and 9 10 electrical mobility devices.
- 11 (a) General rule.--Every self-propelled wheelchair and
- 12 <u>electrical mobility device operated and designed for the</u>
- 13 <u>exclusive use of a person with a mobility-related disability</u>
- 14 when operated on a sidewalk, sidewalk area or highway between
- 15 sunset and sunrise shall be equipped with a red reflector facing
- 16 to the rear and a reflector on the front and each side, all of
- 17 which reflectors are visible from at least 500 feet.
- (b) Prohibition. -- No person may sell a self-propelled
- 19 wheelchair or electrical mobility device, whether new or used,

- 1 unless it is equipped as required by this section.
- 2 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.