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SENATE BILL NO. 113

Introduced by: Senators Parsley, Buhl O'Donnell, Frerichs, Haggar (Jenna), Hunhoff (Bernie), Peterson (Jim), Sutton, and Tieszen and Representatives Wollmann, Bartling, Bordeaux, Deutsch, Feickert, Gibson, Hawks, Hawley, Jensen (Alex), Killer, Kirschman, McCleerey, Peterson (Kent), Ring, Romkema, Soli, and Zikmund

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise provisions related to the operation of a bicycle on
- 2 a roadway.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 32-20B-5 be amended to read:
- 5 32-20B-5. Any person operating a bicycle upon a roadway at less than the normal speed of
- 6 traffic at the time and place and under the conditions then existing shall ride as close as
- 7 practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway. However, a person operating a bicycle
- 8 may move from the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway in the right-hand lane then available
- 9 for traffic, except to overtake and pass another bicycle or vehicle proceeding in the same
- direction, to prepare for a left turn at an intersection or into a private road or roadway or to avoid
- 11 conditions including, but not limited to, fixed or moving objects, parked or moving vehicles,
- bicycles, pedestrians, animals, or surface hazards, or substandard width lanes that make it unsafe
- 13 to continue along the right-hand curb or edge. For purposes of this section, a "substandard width

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- 1 lane" is a lane that is too narrow for a bicycle and vehicle to travel safely side by side within the
- 2 lane. However, a person operating a bicycle upon a roadway at less than the normal speed of
- 3 traffic at the time and place and under the conditions then existing shall move far enough to the
- 4 right to allow overtaking and passing by faster vehicles if passing is safe and reasonable. A
- 5 violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor.