



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 406

LCO No. 2634



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:
(PS)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DISPLAY OF LIGHTED LAMPS ON BICYCLES, ELECTRIC BICYCLES AND ELECTRIC SCOOTERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 14-288 of the 2026 supplement to
2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2026*):

4 (a) Each bicycle, electric bicycle or electric scooter operated upon the
5 public highway [, during the times or under the conditions as provided
6 in subsection (a) of section 14-96a,] shall display a lighted lamp upon
7 the forward part of such bicycle, electric bicycle or electric scooter (1) at
8 any time from a half-hour before sunset to a half-hour after sunrise, (2)
9 at any time when, due to insufficient light or unfavorable atmospheric
10 conditions, persons and vehicles on the highway are not clearly
11 discernible at a distance of five hundred feet ahead, and (3) at any time
12 during periods of precipitation, including, but not limited to, periods of
13 snow, rain or fog. Such lamp shall, when lighted, emit a white light
14 which in clear weather shall be visible at a distance of not less than five
15 hundred feet in the direction in which such bicycle, electric bicycle or

16 electric scooter is proceeding. Each bicycle, electric bicycle or electric
17 scooter shall also, at all times, be equipped with a reflector or reflecting
18 tail light lens, which reflector or lens shall be attached to the rear of such
19 bicycle, electric bicycle or electric scooter in such manner as to reflect
20 rays of light thrown upon the same, and such reflector or reflecting tail
21 shall be visible at a distance of not less than six hundred feet from the
22 rear when illuminated by the head lamps of a motor vehicle. Such
23 bicycle, electric bicycle or electric scooter shall also be equipped with
24 reflective material so placed and of sufficient size and reflectivity to be
25 visible from both sides of such bicycle, electric bicycle or electric scooter
26 at a distance of not less than six hundred feet when illuminated by the
27 head lamps of a motor vehicle. Each bicycle, electric bicycle or electric
28 scooter shall also, at all times, be equipped with a braking device
29 sufficient to enable the operator thereof to stop within twenty-five feet
30 on dry, level and clean pavement when moving at a speed of ten miles
31 per hour. No person shall equip a bicycle, an electric bicycle or an
32 electric scooter with a siren or device which emits a whistle or use a siren
33 or device which emits a whistle while operating a bicycle, an electric
34 bicycle or an electric scooter.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2026</i>	14-288(a)

Statement of Purpose:

To require each bicycle, electric bicycle or electric scooter operated upon the public highway to display a lighted lamp upon the forward part of such bicycle, electric bicycle or electric scooter during certain times.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]