

REFERENCE TITLE: speed limits; bicycles; sidewalk; paths

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Senator Kavanagh

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 28-812 AND 28-819, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO BICYCLES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 28-812, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 28-812. Applicability of traffic laws to bicycle riders

5 A. A person riding a bicycle on a roadway or on a shoulder
6 adjoining a roadway is granted all of the rights and is subject to all of
7 the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle by this chapter and
8 chapters 4 and 5 of this title, except special rules in this article and
9 except provisions of this chapter and chapters 4 and 5 of this title that
10 by their nature can have no application.

11 B. A PERSON RIDING A BICYCLE:

12 1. MAY NOT EXCEED A SPEED THAT IS REASONABLE AND PRUDENT UNDER
13 CURRENTLY EXISTING CONDITIONS ON A BICYCLE OR MULTIUSE PATH.

14 2. MAY NOT EXCEED A SPEED OF FIFTEEN MILES PER HOUR ON A SIDEWALK.

15 3. MAY NOT EXCEED FIVE MILES PER HOUR OVER THE SPEED OF ANY PERSON
16 THE PERSON RIDING THE BICYCLE IS PASSING.

17 4. IF POSSIBLE, SHALL PROVIDE AN AUDIBLE WARNING BEFORE PASSING ANY
18 OTHER PERSON.

19 C. THE LOCAL AUTHORITY WITH JURISDICTION OVER A BICYCLE OR MULTIUSE
20 PATH MAY LIMIT THE SPEED OF A BICYCLE TO A LESSER SPEED THAN THE
21 REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION.

22 ~~B.~~ D. If a person is found responsible for a civil traffic
23 violation resulting from operating a bicycle:

24 1. A department or agency of this state may not consider the
25 violation for the purpose of determining whether the person's driver
26 license should be suspended or revoked. A court may not transmit an
27 abstract of the record of the violation to the department of
28 transportation.

29 2. An insurer may not consider the violation as a moving traffic
30 violation against the person for the purpose of establishing rates for
31 motor vehicle liability insurance or determining the insurability of the
32 person. An insurer may not cancel or refuse to renew an insurance policy
33 because of the violation.

34 3. A report may not be made under section 28-1559, subsection B.

35 Sec. 2. Section 28-819, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
36 read:

37 28-819. Electric bicycles; electric standup scooters; speed
38 limit

39 A. An operator of an electric bicycle or an electric standup
40 scooter is granted all the rights and privileges and is subject to all of
41 the duties of a person riding a bicycle. Except as otherwise provided in
42 this section or as otherwise regulated by a local authority, an electric
43 bicycle or an electric standup scooter is subject to the same provisions
44 of this title as a bicycle.

1 B. An electric bicycle or an electric standup scooter is not
2 subject to the provisions of this title relating to certificates of title,
3 registration, vehicle license tax, driver licenses or vehicle insurance.

4 C. ~~Beginning January 1, 2019,~~ Manufacturers and distributors of
5 electric bicycles shall apply a label that is permanently affixed, in a
6 prominent location, to each electric bicycle. The label shall contain the
7 classification number, top assisted speed and motor wattage of the
8 electric bicycle and shall be printed in at least nine-point type.

9 D. A class 1 electric bicycle, a class 2 electric bicycle or an
10 electric standup scooter may be used on bicycle and multiuse paths. A
11 local authority or agency of this state having jurisdiction over a bicycle
12 or multiuse path may prohibit the operation of a class 1 electric bicycle,
13 class 2 electric bicycle or electric standup scooter on the path.

14 E. A class 3 electric bicycle may not be operated on a bicycle or
15 multiuse path unless it is within or adjacent to a highway or roadway or
16 unless the local authority or agency of this state having jurisdiction
17 over the path allows the operation.

18 F. An electric standup scooter must have a unique identification
19 that consists of letters or numbers, or both, and that is visible from a
20 distance of at least five feet. The identification:

- 21 1. May not be obscured by branding or other markings.
22 2. Shall be used in this state to identify the electric standup
23 scooter. This paragraph applies to all persons, including local
24 authorities.

25 G. A PERSON OPERATING AN ELECTRIC BICYCLE, ELECTRIC STANDUP
26 SCOOTER, ELECTRIC MINIATURE SCOOTER, ELECTRIC PERSONAL ASSISTIVE MOBILITY
27 DEVICE OR MOTORIZED SKATEBOARD:

28 1. MAY NOT EXCEED FIFTEEN MILES PER HOUR WHILE IN USE ON A
29 SIDEWALK.

30 2. MAY NOT EXCEED A SPEED THAT IS REASONABLE AND PRUDENT ON A
31 BICYCLE OR MULTIUSE PATH.

32 3. MAY NOT EXCEED FIVE MILES PER HOUR OVER THE SPEED OF ANY PERSON
33 WHEN PASSING ANOTHER PERSON ON A SIDEWALK OR A BICYCLE OR MULTIUSE PATH.

34 4. IF POSSIBLE, SHALL PROVIDE AN AUDIBLE WARNING TO ANY PERSON THE
35 OPERATOR IS PASSING ON A SIDEWALK OR A BICYCLE OR MULTIUSE PATH.

36 H. THE LOCAL AUTHORITY WITH JURISDICTION OVER A BICYCLE OR MULTIUSE
37 PATH MAY LIMIT THE SPEED OF AN ELECTRIC BICYCLE, ELECTRIC STANDUP SCOOTER,
38 ELECTRIC MINIATURE SCOOTER, ELECTRIC PERSONAL ASSISTIVE MOBILITY DEVICE OR
39 MOTORIZED SKATEBOARD TO A LESSER SPEED THAN THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION
40 G OF THIS SECTION.