

## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 SB2535

Introduced 1/12/2010, by Sen. Donne E. Trotter

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/11-1404

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-1404

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code to require every operator and passenger under the age of 18 on a motorcycle, motor driven cycle, or motorized pedalcycle to wear a helmet that meets federal safety standards and is properly fastened under the person's chin with a chin strap. Effective January 1, 2011.

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1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing

  Section 11-1404 as follows:
- 6 (625 ILCS 5/11-1404) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-1404)
- Sec. 11-1404. Special equipment for persons riding motorcycles, motor driven cycles, or mopeds.
- 9 (a) The operator of a motorcycle, motor driven cycle, or 10 moped and every passenger thereon shall be protected by glasses, goggles, or a transparent shield.
- 12 <u>(a-5)</u> Any operator under the age of 18 and any passenger

  13 <u>under the age of 18 of a motorcycle, motor driven cycle, or</u>

  14 <u>motorized pedalcycle must also must wear a helmet, which meets</u>

  15 the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No.
- 218 and is properly fastened under the person's chin with a chin strap.
- 18 (b) For the purposes of this Section, glasses, goggles, and 19 transparent shields are defined as follows:
- "Glasses" means ordinary eye pieces such as spectacles or sunglasses worn before the eye, made of shatter-resistant material. Shatter-resistant material, as used in this Section, means material so manufactured, fabricated, or created that it

- 1 substantially prevents shattering or flying when struck or
- 2 broken.
- 3 "Goggles" means a device worn before the eyes, the
- 4 predominant function of which is protecting the eyes without
- 5 obstructing peripheral vision. Goggles shall provide
- 6 protection from the front and sides, and may or may not form a
- 7 complete seal with the face.
- 8 "Transparent shield" means a windshield attached to the
- 9 front of a motorcycle that extends above the eyes when an
- 10 operator is seated in the normal, upright riding position, made
- of shatter-resistant material, or a shatter-resistant
- 12 protective face shield that covers the wearer's eyes and face
- at least to a point approximately to the tip of the nose.
- 14 (c) Contact lenses are not acceptable eye protection
- 15 devices.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 96-554, eff. 1-1-10.)
- 17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January
- 18 1, 2011.