

# SB0070



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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

|                      |                                 |
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| 625 ILCS 5/11-1507   | from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-1507   |
| 625 ILCS 5/11-1507.1 | from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-1507.1 |
| 625 ILCS 5/12-201    | from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-201    |

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Requires every low-speed electric bicycle to at all times be equipped with a lamp visible from the front. Requires every moped to be equipped with a lamp. Requires every motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, moped, and low-speed electric bicycle to at all times have at least one lighted lamp when operating on a highway in this State.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing  
5 Sections 11-1507, 11-1507.1, and 12-201 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/11-1507) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-1507)

7 Sec. 11-1507. Lamps and other equipment on bicycles.

8 (a) Every bicycle when in use at nighttime and every  
9 low-speed bicycle at all times, shall be equipped with a lamp  
10 on the front which shall emit a white light visible from a  
11 distance of at least 500 feet to the front and with a red  
12 reflector on the rear of a type approved by the Department  
13 which shall be visible from all distances from 100 feet to 600  
14 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful lower beams  
15 of headlamps on a motor vehicle. A lamp emitting a red light  
16 visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear may be used in  
17 addition to the red reflector.

18 (b) A bicycle shall not be equipped with nor shall any  
19 person use upon a bicycle any siren. This subsection (b) does  
20 not apply to a bicycle that is a police vehicle or fire  
21 department vehicle.

22 (c) Every bicycle shall be equipped with a brake which will  
23 adequately control movement of and stop and hold such bicycle.

1 (d) No person shall sell a new bicycle or pedal for use on  
2 a bicycle that is not equipped with a reflex reflector  
3 conforming to specifications prescribed by the Department, on  
4 each pedal, visible from the front and rear of the bicycle  
5 during darkness from a distance of 200 feet.

6 (e) No person shall sell or offer for sale a new bicycle  
7 that is not equipped with side reflectors. Such reflectors  
8 shall be visible from each side of the bicycle from a distance  
9 of 500 feet and shall be essentially colorless or red to the  
10 rear of the center of the bicycle and essentially colorless or  
11 amber to the front of the center of the bicycle provided. The  
12 requirements of this paragraph may be met by reflective  
13 materials which shall be at least 3/16 of an inch wide on each  
14 side of each tire or rim to indicate as clearly as possible the  
15 continuous circular shape and size of the tires or rims of such  
16 bicycle and which reflective materials may be of the same color  
17 on both the front and rear tire or rim. Such reflectors shall  
18 conform to specifications prescribed by the Department.

19 (f) No person shall sell or offer for sale a new bicycle  
20 that is not equipped with an essentially colorless front-facing  
21 reflector.

22 (Source: P.A. 95-28, eff. 8-7-07.)

23 (625 ILCS 5/11-1507.1) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-1507.1)

24 Sec. 11-1507.1. Lamps on mopeds. Every moped, ~~when in use~~  
25 ~~at nighttime,~~ shall be equipped with a lamp on the front which

1 shall emit a white light visible from a distance of at least  
2 500 feet to the front, and with a red reflector on the rear of a  
3 type approved by the Department which shall be visible from all  
4 distances from 100 feet to 600 feet to the rear when in front  
5 of lawful, low-powered beams of head lamps on a motor vehicle.  
6 A lamp emitting a red light visible from a distance of 500 feet  
7 to the rear may be used in addition to the red reflector.

8 (Source: P.A. 96-554, eff. 1-1-10.)

9 (625 ILCS 5/12-201) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-201)

10 Sec. 12-201. When lighted lamps are required.

11 (a) When operated upon any highway in this State, every  
12 motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, moped, and low-speed electric  
13 bicycle shall at all times exhibit at least one lighted lamp,  
14 showing a white light visible for at least 500 feet in the  
15 direction the motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, moped, or  
16 low-speed electric bicycle is proceeding. However, in lieu of  
17 the such lighted lamp, a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, moped,  
18 or low-speed electric bicycle may be equipped with and use a  
19 means of modulating the upper beam of the head lamp between  
20 high and a lower brightness. No such head lamp shall be  
21 modulated, except to otherwise comply with this Code, during  
22 times when lighted lamps are required for other motor vehicles.

23 (b) All other motor vehicles shall exhibit at least 2  
24 lighted head lamps, with at least one on each side of the front  
25 of the vehicle, which satisfy United States Department of

1 Transportation requirements, showing white lights, including  
2 that emitted by high intensity discharge (HID) lamps, or lights  
3 of a yellow or amber tint, during the period from sunset to  
4 sunrise, at times when rain, snow, fog, or other atmospheric  
5 conditions require the use of windshield wipers, and at any  
6 other times when, due to insufficient light or unfavorable  
7 atmospheric conditions, persons and vehicles on the highway are  
8 not clearly discernible at a distance of 1000 feet. Parking  
9 lamps may be used in addition to but not in lieu of such head  
10 lamps. Every motor vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer shall also  
11 exhibit at least 2 lighted lamps, commonly known as tail lamps,  
12 which shall be mounted on the left rear and right rear of the  
13 vehicle so as to throw a red light visible for at least 500  
14 feet in the reverse direction, except that a truck tractor or  
15 road tractor manufactured before January 1, 1968 and all  
16 motorcycles need be equipped with only one such tail lamp.

17 (c) Either a tail lamp or a separate lamp shall be so  
18 constructed and placed as to illuminate with a white light a  
19 rear registration plate when required and render it clearly  
20 legible from a distance of 50 feet to the rear. Any tail lamp  
21 or tail lamps, together with any separate lamp or lamps for  
22 illuminating a rear registration plate, shall be so wired as to  
23 be lighted whenever the head lamps or auxiliary driving lamps  
24 are lighted.

25 (d) A person shall install only head lamps that satisfy  
26 United States Department of Transportation regulations and

1 show white light, including that emitted by HID lamps, or light  
2 of a yellow or amber tint for use by a motor vehicle.

3 (e) (Blank).

4 (Source: P.A. 96-487, eff. 1-1-10.)