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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTIONS 56‑5‑130 AND 56‑5‑140 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF THE TERMS “MOTOR VEHICLE” AND “MOTORCYCLE”, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT MOPEDS ARE MOTOR VEHICLES AND NOT MOTORCYCLES.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 56‑5‑130 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 56‑5‑130. Every vehicle which is self‑propelled~~, except mopeds,~~ and every vehicle which is propelled by electric power obtained from overhead trolley wires, but not operated upon rails, is a ‘motor vehicle’.”

SECTION 2. Section 56‑5‑140 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 56‑5‑140. Every motor vehicle having no more than two permanent functional wheels in contact with the ground or trailer and having a saddle for the use of the rider, but excluding a tractor or a moped, is a ‘motorcycle’.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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