

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 422—COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

MARCH 20, 2015

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the operation and equipment of motorcycles and mopeds. (BDR 43-1073)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to motorcycles; prohibiting a local authority from enacting an ordinance which conflicts with certain state laws governing the operation and equipment of a motorcycle or moped; revising provisions governing handlebars on a motorcycle or moped; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law provides various requirements and limitations on the operation and equipment of a motorcycle or a moped. (NRS 486.181-486.361) **Section 1** of this bill prohibits a local authority from enacting an ordinance governing the operation and equipment of a motorcycle or a moped which is in conflict with any existing state laws.

Under existing law, a person is prohibited from driving a motorcycle or a moped equipped with handlebars which extend above the driver's shoulders. (NRS 486.201) **Section 2** of this bill provides that handlebars may extend not more than 6 inches above the driver's shoulders.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Chapter 486 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

***1. The provisions of this section and NRS 486.181 to 486.361, inclusive, are applicable and uniform throughout this State.***

***2. A local authority shall not enact an ordinance governing the operation and equipment of a motorcycle or moped which is in***



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1 *conflict with any of the provisions of this section and NRS 486.181*  
2 *to 486.361, inclusive.*

3 **Sec. 2.** NRS 486.201 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 486.201 A person shall not drive a motorcycle or moped  
5 equipped with handlebars which extend *more than 6 inches* above  
6 the uppermost portion of the driver's shoulders when the driver sits  
7 on the seat and the seat is depressed by the weight of the driver.

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