

BICYCLE AMENDMENTS

2024 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Kera Birkeland

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends bicycle and moped handlebar requirements.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ amends requirements for bicycle and moped operators to maintain control; and
- ▶ removes the requirement for a person operating a bicycle or moped to keep at least one hand on the handlebars at all times.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

41-6a-1112, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 2

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **41-6a-1112** is amended to read:

41-6a-1112. Maintaining control of bicycles and mopeds.

Ĥ→ (1) As used in this section, "safe operation" means exercising reasonable care and caution under existing roadway conditions with consideration of the specific type and intended use of the bicycle or moped. ←Ĥ

Ĥ→ [(1)] (2) ←Ĥ A person operating a bicycle or moped shall maintain control of the bicycle or moped at all times.

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28 [(1) ~~H~~ → (2) (3) ← H] A person operating a bicycle or moped may not carry any package,
bundle, or

29 article [~~which prevents the use of both hands in the control and operation of the bicycle or~~
30 ~~moped.~~] that prevents the operator from maintaining control and safe operation of the bicycle
31 or moped.

32 [(2) A person operating a bicycle or moped shall keep at least one hand on the
33 handlebars at all times.]

34 Section 2. **Effective date.**

35 This bill takes effect on May 1, 2024.