

A-Engrossed
House Bill 3255

Ordered by the House April 15
Including House Amendments dated April 15

Sponsored by Representative DAVIS

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Creates offense of failure of bicycle operator to wear reflective clothing. Punishes by maximum fine of \$250.]

Requires person operating bicycle on highway to equip bicycle with red light on rear of bicycle.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to bicycles; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 815.280.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 815.280 is amended to read:

5 815.280. (1) A person commits the offense of violation of bicycle equipment requirements if the
6 person does any of the following:

7 (a) Operates on any highway a bicycle in violation of the requirements of this section.

8 (b) Is the parent or guardian of a minor child or ward and authorizes or knowingly permits the
9 child or ward to operate a bicycle on any highway in violation of the requirements of this section.

10 (2) A bicycle is operated in violation of the requirements of this section if any of the following
11 requirements are violated:

12 (a) A bicycle must be equipped with a brake that enables the operator of the bicycle to stop the
13 bicycle within 15 feet from a speed of 10 miles per hour on dry, level, clean pavement.

14 (b) A person [*shall*] **may** not install or use any siren or whistle upon a bicycle. This paragraph
15 does not apply to bicycles used by police officers.

16 (c) At the times described in the following, a bicycle or its rider must be equipped with lighting
17 equipment that meets the described requirements:

18 (A) The lighting equipment must be used during limited visibility conditions.

19 (B) The lighting equipment must show a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet
20 to the front of the bicycle.

21 (C) The lighting equipment must [*have a red reflector or lighting device or material of such size*
22 *or characteristic and so mounted as to be*] **show a red light** visible from all distances up to 600 feet
23 to the rear **of the bicycle** [*when directly in front of lawful lower beams of headlights on a motor ve-*
24 *hicle*].

25 (3) Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to prohibit the use of additional parts
26 and accessories on any bicycle consistent with this section.

27 (4) This section does not apply to electric personal assistive mobility devices. Equipment re-

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 quirements for electric personal assistive mobility devices are provided in ORS 815.284.

2 (5) The offense described in this section, violation of bicycle equipment requirements, is a Class
3 D traffic violation.

4 **SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 815.280 by section 1 of this 2015 Act apply to of-**
5 **fenses occurring on or after the effective date of this 2015 Act.**

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