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Senate Bill 1532

Sponsored by Senator JOHNSON; Senators GELSER, MONNES ANDERSON (Presession filed.)

CHAPTER .................................................

AN ACT

Relating to motor assisted scooters; amending ORS 801.348 and 814.532.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 801.348 is amended to read:

801.348. “Motor assisted scooter” means a vehicle that:

(1) Is designed to be operated on the ground with not more than [three] four wheels;
(2) Has [handlebars and] a foot support or seat for the operator’s use;
(3) Can be propelled by motor or human propulsion; and
(4) Is equipped with a power source that is incapable of propelling the vehicle at a speed of greater than 24 miles per hour on level ground and:
   (a) If the power source is a combustion engine, has a piston or rotor displacement of 35 cubic centimeters or less regardless of the number of chambers in the power source; or
   (b) If the power source is electric, has a power output of not more than 1,000 watts.

SECTION 2. ORS 814.532 is amended to read:

814.532. (1) A person commits the offense of operating a motor assisted scooter with an unlawful load if the person is operating a motor assisted scooter and the person carries a package, bundle or article that prevents the person from [keeping at least one hand upon the handlebars and] having full control of the vehicle at all times.
   (2) The offense described in this section, operating a motor assisted scooter with an unlawful load, is a Class D traffic violation.