The House Committee on Transportation offers the following substitute to HB 454:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for the operation of motorized mobility devices; to provide for definitions; to revise the rules of the road to provide for the operation of motorized mobility devices; to provide for conditions and limitations upon the operation of such vehicles; to provide for equipment standards for such vehicles; to authorize the Department of Public Safety to enact rules and regulations relating to the safe operation of such vehicles; to provide for parking standards for bicycles and motorized mobility devices; to authorize the regulation of motorized mobility devices by local authorities under certain conditions; to authorize the removal of motorized mobility devices when such vehicles are parked in a manner that poses a threat to public health and safety; to provide for conditions, procedures, and limitations for such removal; to classify certain actions as criminal violations; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, is amended in Code Section 40-1-1, relating to definitions, by revising paragraphs (6.1) and (28) through (33) as follows:

"(6.1) 'Bicycle lane' means a portion of the roadway that has been designated by striping, pavement markings, or signage for the exclusive or preferential use of persons operating bicycles or motorized mobility devices. Bicycle lanes shall at a minimum, unless impracticable, be required to meet accepted guidelines, recommendations, and criteria with respect to planning, design, operation, and maintenance as set forth by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials."

"(28) 'Moped' means a motor driven cycle vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider, equipped with two or three wheels, with or without foot pedals to permit
muscular propulsion; and equipped with an independent power source providing a maximum of two brake horsepower. If a combustion engine is used, the maximum piston or rotor displacement shall be 3.05 cubic inches (50 cubic centimeters) regardless of the number of chambers in such power source. The power source shall be capable of propelling the vehicle, unassisted, at a speed not to exceed 30 miles per hour (48.28 kilometers per hour) on level road surface and shall be equipped with a power drive system that functions directly or automatically only, not requiring clutching or shifting by the operator after the drive system is engaged.

(28.1) 'Motor carrier' shall have the same meaning as provided for in Code Section 40-2-1, and the terms 'carrier' and 'motor carrier' are synonymous.

(29) 'Motorcycle' means every motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, but excluding a tractor; and all-terrain vehicle; and moped.

(30) 'Motor driven cycle' means every motorcycle, including every motor scooter, with having a motor which produces not to exceed capable of providing a maximum five brake horsepower; and every bicycle with a motor attached, and every moped.

(31) 'Motor home' means every motor vehicle designed, used, or maintained primarily as a mobile dwelling, office, or commercial space.

(32) Reserved

'Motorized mobility device' means a vehicle:

(A) With a total weight of less than 75 pounds, equipped with handlebars, a floorboard for standing upon while riding, and two or three wheels; designed to transport only one individual; and capable of traveling without human propulsion on a paved level surface, at a speed not to exceed 20 miles per hour; or

(B) With a total weight of no more than 100 pounds, equipped with handlebars, a seat, two or three wheels, and no rotary pedals; designed to transport only one individual; and capable of traveling without human propulsion on a paved level surface, at a speed not to exceed 20 miles per hour.

(33) 'Motor vehicle' means every vehicle which is self-propelled other than an electric personal assistive mobility device (EPAMD) or a motorized mobility device.”

SECTION 2.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-55, relating to obligation of drivers to yield to bicyclist in a bicycle lane, as follows:

"40-6-55.

Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter relating to operating a vehicle on a roadway, where a bicycle lane is provided on the roadway, the operator of a motor vehicle shall yield to a person operating a bicycle or motorized mobility device in a bicycle lane.”
SECTION 3.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-56, relating to safe passing distance when overtaking a bicyclist, as follows:

"40-6-56.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'safe distance' means not less than three feet.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of this article to the contrary, when feasible, the operator of a motor vehicle, when overtaking and passing a bicycle or motorized mobility device that is proceeding in the same direction on the roadway, shall leave a safe distance between such motor vehicle and the bicycle or motorized mobility device and shall maintain such clearance until safely past the overtaken bicycle vehicle."

SECTION 4.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-6-77, relating to penalties for collision which causes serious injury to motorcyclist, pedestrian, bicyclist, or farmer transporting certain items, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

“(b) Any person who causes a serious injury to another person as a result of a collision with a motorcyclist, bicyclist, operator of a motorized mobility device, pedestrian, or farmer operating any vehicle used to transport agricultural products, livestock, farm machinery, or farm supplies by committing any right of way violation under this chapter when such motorcyclist, bicyclist, operator of a motorized mobility device, pedestrian, or farmer operating any vehicle used to transport agricultural products, livestock, farm machinery, or farm supplies is abiding by the provisions of this title shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished:

(1) For a first offense, by a fine of not less than $250.00 in addition to any other penalties stipulated by law and the court shall report such conviction to the Department of Driver Services; and

(2) For a second or subsequent offense within a five-year period of time, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained or a plea of nolo contendere is accepted, by a fine of not less than $500.00 nor more than $1,000.00 and imprisonment for not less than ten days nor more than 12 months. Any fine imposed under this paragraph shall be mandatory and shall not be suspended or waived or conditioned upon the completion of any course or sentence. The court imposing punishment under this subsection shall forward a record of the disposition of the case to the Department of Driver Services."
SECTION 5.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-144, relating to emerging from alley, driveway, or building and prohibition on driving upon a sidewalk, as follows:

"40-6-144.

(a) The driver of a vehicle emerging from an alley, building, private road, or driveway within a business or residential district shall stop such vehicle immediately prior to driving onto a sidewalk or onto the sidewalk area extending across such alley, building entrance, road, or driveway or, in the event there is no sidewalk area, shall stop at the point nearest the street to be entered where the driver has a view of approaching traffic thereon. The driver of a vehicle shall yield the right of way to any pedestrian on a sidewalk.

(b) Except as provided by resolution or ordinance of a local government for sidewalks within the jurisdiction of such local government authorizing the operation of bicycles on sidewalks by persons 12 years of age or younger or authorizing the operation of motorized mobility devices on sidewalks, no person shall drive any vehicle upon a sidewalk or sidewalk area except upon a permanent or duly authorized driveway. Any individual operating a motorized mobility device upon a sidewalk as authorized by such resolution or ordinance shall yield to pedestrians at all times. When passing a pedestrian, the operator of a motorized mobility device shall give warning through an audible sound, travel at a speed no faster than 7 miles per hour, and maintain a distance of 2 feet between the vehicle and the pedestrian; provided, however, that, if maintaining a passing distance of 2 feet would require the operator to drive upon a highway or expose the operator to hazards to safe operation as such term is described in Code Section 40-6-294, the operator shall dismount such vehicle."

SECTION 6.

Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"40-6-209.

If a bicycle or motorized mobility device is parked in a manner which impedes the flow of vehicular or pedestrian traffic or poses a threat to safety, any person shall be authorized to reposition or move such vehicle in order to remove such impediment or threat, provided that such action to reposition such vehicle is taken with due care. Any person acting in accordance with this Code section shall not have committed an offense of criminal trespass nor be liable for any injury or property damage resulting therefrom."
SECTION 7.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-6-270, relating to hit and run and duty of driver to stop at or return to scene of accident, by revising subsections (a) and (b) and the introductory language of paragraph (1) of subsection (c) as follows:

“(a) The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injury to or the death of any person or in damage to a vehicle which is driven or attended by any person shall immediately stop such vehicle at the scene of the accident or shall stop as close thereto as possible and forthwith return to the scene of the accident and shall:

(1) Give his or her name and address and, if the vehicle has been rented or leased, the name and contact information for the owner of the vehicle;

(2) Give the registration number of the vehicle he or she is driving or, if such vehicle is not required to be registered, give the unique identification number of the vehicle, if one exists;

(3) Upon request and if it is available, exhibit his or her operator's license to the person struck or the driver or occupant of or person attending any vehicle collided with;

(4) Render to any person injured in such accident reasonable assistance, including the transporting, or the making of arrangements for the transporting, of such person to a physician, surgeon, or hospital for medical or surgical treatment if it is apparent that such treatment is necessary or if such transporting is requested by the injured person; and

(5) Where a person injured in such accident is unconscious, appears deceased, or is otherwise unable to communicate, make every reasonable effort to ensure that emergency medical services and local law enforcement are contacted for the purpose of reporting the accident and making a request for assistance.

The driver shall in every event remain at the scene of the accident until fulfilling the requirements of this subsection. Every such stop shall be made without obstructing traffic more than is necessary.

(b) If such accident is the proximate cause of death or a serious injury, any person knowingly failing to stop and comply with the requirements of subsection (a) of this Code section shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than five years.

(c)(1) If such accident is the proximate cause of an injury other than a serious injury or if such accident resulted in damage to a vehicle which is driven or attended by any person, any person knowingly failing to stop or comply with the requirements of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and:"

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SECTION 8.
Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-271, relating to duty upon striking unattended vehicle, as follows:

"40-6-271.
(a) The driver of any vehicle which collides with any vehicle which is unattended shall immediately stop and shall then and there either locate and notify the operator or owner of such vehicle of the name and address of the driver and owner of the vehicle striking the unattended vehicle or shall leave in a conspicuous place on the vehicle struck a written notice giving the name and address of the driver and the owner of the vehicle doing the striking attempt to locate the operator or owner of such vehicle, and:

(1) If such person is located, the driver shall provide:
   (A) His or her name and address; and
   (B) The name and address or contact information of the vehicle owner if the driver does not own the vehicle;

(2) If such person cannot be located but the vehicle is marked with contact information for the owner, the driver shall contact the owner to advise him or her of the collision and provide his or her name, address, and vehicle registration or identification number, if applicable; or

(3) If such person cannot be located and the vehicle is not marked with contact information for the owner, the driver shall leave a note in a conspicuous place on the unattended vehicle which shall include the driver's name and address and the owner's name and address, if the driver is not the owner of the vehicle causing the collision.

(b) Any person who fails to comply with the requirements of subsection (a) of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

SECTION 9.
Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-278, relating to uniform motor vehicle accident reports and reporting procedures, as follows:

"40-6-278.
The commissioner of transportation shall prescribe, by rule, uniform motor vehicle accident reports and reporting procedures which shall be used by all police officers, whether state, county, or municipal. The rules shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.' The rules may require one type of report and reporting procedure for motor vehicle accidents in which property damage alone is involved and another type of report and reporting procedure for motor vehicle accidents involving personal injury or death. The commissioner may, by rule, require additional investigation or reports in case of serious bodily injury or death. When reporting accidents..."
involving vehicles that are not motor vehicles, all police officers, whether state, county, or municipal, shall include in their reports the unique identification numbers of any vehicles involved if such numbers are available, the name and contact information of the drivers of the vehicles involved, the name and contact information of the owners of any rented vehicles involved, the date and time of the accident, and the nature of any personal injury or property damage involved."

SECTION 10.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-290, relating to application of part regarding bicycles, as follows:

"40-6-290.

The provisions of this part applicable to bicycles and motorized mobility devices shall apply whenever a bicycle or motorized mobility device is operated upon a highway, upon a bicycle lane, or upon any bicycle path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles, subject to those exceptions stated in this part."

SECTION 11.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-291, relating to traffic laws applicable to bicycles, operation upon paved shoulder, and signaling of right hand turns, as follows:

"40-6-291.

(a) The provisions of this chapter that apply to vehicles, but not exclusively to motor vehicles, shall apply to bicycles and motorized mobility devices, except as provided in this Code section and except that the penalties prescribed in subsection (b) of Code Section 40-6-390, subsection (c) of Code Section 40-6-391, and subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-393 shall not apply to persons riding bicycles.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Code Section 40-6-50, any person operating a bicycle or motorized mobility device may ride upon a paved shoulder; provided, however, that such person shall not be required to ride upon a paved shoulder.

(c) Any person operating a bicycle or motorized mobility device may signal a right turn with his or her right arm and hand extended horizontally or with his or her left hand and arm extended upward."

SECTION 12.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-6-292, relating to manner of riding bicycles and transporting of passengers, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

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"(b) No bicycle or motorized mobility device shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped."

**SECTION 13.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

40-6-292.1. Notwithstanding any provision of Code Section 40-6-203 to the contrary, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or to comply with the law or the directions of law enforcement or official traffic-control devices, no individual shall stop, stand, or park a motorized mobility device:

1. Upon any sidewalk, except as provided for in Code Section 40-6-294;
2. Within an intersection;
3. On a crosswalk;
4. Alongside or opposite any parked motor vehicle or street excavation or obstruction where such stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct vehicular or pedestrian traffic;
5. On any railroad tracks or streetcar tracks;
6. On any controlled-access highway;
7. Within five feet of any public transit bus stop;
8. At any place where official signs prohibit stopping, standing, or parking;
9. On any drain grate or utility or sewer covering;
10. In any designated loading zone;
11. In any driveway, vehicle travel lane, bike lane, or shared use path;
12. In a manner that obstructs pedestrian or wheelchair access to:
   (A) Public or private buildings and establishments;
   (B) Street features that require pedestrian access, including but not limited to benches, parking meters, parking pay stations, and crosswalk signal buttons; and
   (C) Accessibility and safety features, including but not limited to curb ramps, wheelchair ramps, ramp landings, and handrails;
13. In a manner that obscures any traffic-control devices or directional and other official signs and notices, as such term is defined in Code Section 32-6-71; or
14. In a manner that obstructs access to emergency service infrastructure."

**SECTION 14.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-293, relating to clinging to vehicles, as follows:
"40-6-293.

No person riding upon any bicycle, motorized mobility device, coaster, roller skates, sled, or toy vehicle shall attach the same or himself or herself to any vehicle upon a roadway."

SECTION 15.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-294, relating to riding on roadways and bicycle paths, as follows:

"40-6-294.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'hazards to safe cycling operation' includes, but shall not be limited to, surface debris, rough pavement, drain grates which are parallel to the side of the roadway, parked or stopped vehicles, potentially opening car doors, or any other objects which threaten the safety of a person operating a bicycle or motorized mobility device.

(b) Every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway shall ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable, except when:

1. Turning left;
2. Avoiding hazards to safe cycling operation;
3. The lane is too narrow to share safely with a motor vehicle;
4. Traveling at the same speed as traffic;
5. Exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction; or
6. There is a right turn only lane and the person operating the bicycle is not turning right;

provided, however, that every person operating a bicycle away from the right side of the roadway shall exercise reasonable care and shall give due consideration to the other applicable rules of the road.

(c) Subject to more restrictive rules that may be established by a local authority in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare within its jurisdiction, any person operating a motorized mobility device shall be authorized to ride such vehicle:

1. In any bicycle path, bicycle lane, or part of a roadway marked for use by bicycles;
2. Upon any highway with a designated speed limit of 35 miles per hour or less when no bicycle lane or bicycle path is available; provided that such operation is as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable; and
3. Upon a sidewalk, provided that operation of such vehicle upon sidewalks has been authorized by the local authorities with jurisdiction over such sidewalk by resolution or ordinance.
(d) Persons riding bicycles or motorized mobility devices upon a roadway shall not ride more than two abreast except on bicycle paths, bicycle lanes, parts of roadways set aside marked for the exclusive use of by bicycles, or when a special event permit issued by a local governing authority permits riding more than two abreast.

(e) Whenever a usable bicycle path has been provided adjacent to a roadway, and designated for the exclusive use of bicycle riders, then the appropriate governing authority the local authorities with jurisdiction over such bicycle path may require that bicycle riders use such bicycle path and not use those sections of the adjacent portion of the roadway so specified by such local governing authority. The governing authority Such local authorities may be petitioned to remove such restrictions upon demonstration that the bicycle path has become inadequate due to capacity, maintenance, or other causes.

(f) Bicycle paths subject to the provisions of subsection (d) of this Code section adjacent to a roadway shall at a minimum be required to meet accepted guidelines, recommendations, and criteria with respect to planning, design, operation, and maintenance as set forth by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, and such bicycle paths shall provide accessibility to destinations equivalent to the use of the roadway.

(g) Any person operating a bicycle or motorized mobility device in a bicycle lane shall ride in the same direction as traffic on the roadway.

(h) Electric assisted bicycles may be operated on bicycle paths.

(i) If a local authority adopts an ordinance or resolution authorizing bicycles or motorized mobility devices, or both, to stop, stand, or park on sidewalks within its jurisdiction, then operators shall be authorized to stop, stand, or park such vehicles upon sidewalks in accordance with such ordinance or resolution; provided, however, that no bicycle or motorized mobility device shall be parked on any sidewalk that is less than four feet in width or in a manner that would leave a path of unobstructed space of less than four feet in width along the sidewalk."

SECTION 16.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-295, relating to carrying articles when operating a bicycle, as follows:

"40-6-295.

(a) No person operating a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle, or other article which prevents him or her from keeping at least one hand upon the handlebars.

(b) No person operating a motorized mobility device shall carry any package, bundle, or other article which prevents him or her from keeping both hands on the handlebars or otherwise properly and safely operating the device."
(c) The provisions of Code Section 40-6-241 shall apply to the operation of motorized
mobility devices."

SECTION 17.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-296, relating to lights and other
equipment on bicycles, as follows:

"40-6-296.

(a) Every bicycle and motorized mobility device when in use at nighttime shall be
equipped with a light on the front which shall emit a white light visible from a distance of
300 feet to the front and with a light on the back which shall emit a red light visible from
a distance of 300 feet to the rear. Any bicycle or motorized mobility device equipped with
a red reflector on the rear that is approved by the Department of Public Safety shall not be
required to have a light on the rear of the bicycle such vehicle.

(b) Every bicycle and motorized mobility device sold, rented or leased, or operated shall
be equipped with a brake which will enable the operator to make the braked wheels skid
on dry, level pavement.

(c) No bicycle shall be equipped or operated while equipped with a set of handlebars so
raised that the operator must elevate his or her hands above the operator's shoulders in
order to grasp the normal steering grip area.

(d)(1) No person under the age of 16 years shall operate or be a passenger on a bicycle
or motorized mobility device on a highway, bicycle path, bicycle lane, or sidewalk under
the jurisdiction or control of this state or any local political subdivision thereof without
wearing a bicycle helmet.

(2) For the purposes of this subsection, the term 'bicycle helmet' means a piece of
protective headgear which meets or exceeds the impact standards for bicycle helmets set
by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) or the Snell Memorial Foundation.

(3) For the purposes of this subsection, a person shall be deemed to wear a bicycle
helmet only if a bicycle helmet of good fit is fastened securely upon such person's head
with the straps of such bicycle helmet.

(4) No bicycle or motorized mobility device without an accompanying protective bicycle
helmet shall be rented or leased to or for the use of any person under the age of 16 years
unless that person is in possession of a bicycle helmet at the time of the rental or lease.

(5) Violation of any provision of this subsection shall not constitute negligence per se
nor contributory negligence per se or be considered evidence of negligence or liability.

(6) No person under the age of 16 years failing to comply with any provision of this
subsection shall be fined or imprisoned.
(e) The owner of any bicycle or motorized mobility device which is rented or leased shall have affixed upon such vehicle the name and contact information of such owner and an identification number assigned by such owner and unique to that vehicle. The unique identification number assigned pursuant to this subsection shall be used for identification purposes by local authorities or law enforcement."

SECTION 18.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-297, relating to violation of part a misdemeanor and duty of parents and guardians, as follows:

"40-6-297.

(a) Except as provided to the contrary in subsection (c) of this Code section, it shall be a misdemeanor for any person to do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required in this part.

(b) The parent of any child and the guardian of any ward shall not authorize or knowingly permit such child or ward to violate any of the provisions of this part.

(c)(1) A person commits the offense of criminal trespass when he or she intentionally damages or knocks over a bicycle or motorized mobility device of another.

(2) A person commits the offense of criminal damage to property in the second degree when he or she:

(A) Intentionally damages a bicycle or motorized mobility device of another and the damage thereto is $500.00 or more; or

(B) Recklessly or intentionally damages a bicycle or motorized mobility device of another by means of fire or explosive.

(3) The punishment for violations described in this Code section shall be as set forth in Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 16."

SECTION 19.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-298, relating to rules and regulations, as follows:

"40-6-298.

(a) Local authorities shall be authorized to regulate the operation of and require registration of motorized mobility devices within the jurisdiction of such local authority through the passage of an ordinance or resolution.

(b) A local authority, its employees, and its agents shall be relieved of any and all liability for, and shall not be considered a proximate or contributing cause of, injuries or property damage arising from the operation of motorized mobility devices in violation of Code Section 40-6-294 or the placement of motorized mobility devices by operators or others.
(c) Local authorities shall be authorized to enforce state and local parking laws, rules, and regulations applicable to motorized mobility devices. A local authority and its employees responsible for enforcing parking laws, rules, and regulations or an agent authorized to remove such vehicle at the request of a local authority shall be authorized to cause a motorized mobility device to be removed to a secure place when the placement of such device poses a threat to public health and safety or impedes the flow of pedestrian or vehicular traffic. No later than 48 hours from the removal of a motorized mobility device by a local authority, its employees, or an authorized agent, the person removing such vehicle shall contact the owner of the motorized mobility device if such vehicle has affixed upon it the name and contact information of the owner. Such notification shall be made by electronic message and shall provide the location to which such vehicle was removed and any costs associated with retrieval of the vehicle. No fees or costs for removal or retrieval may be collected by any person removing a motorized mobility device pursuant to this subsection who fails to provide the required notice within 48 hours of the removal. A local authority, its employees, or any agent authorized to remove such vehicle at the request of a local authority shall be liable only for damages resulting from such removal based upon gross negligence.

The Board of Public Safety is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to carry this part into effect and is authorized to establish regulations for any additional safety equipment or standards it shall require for bicycles.

SECTION 20.
Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-370, relating to uniform state-wide application of chapter, as follows:

"40-6-370.
The provisions of this chapter and the definitions contained in Code Section 40-1-1 shall be applicable and uniform throughout this state and in all counties and municipalities therein, and no local authority shall enact or enforce any ordinance on a matter covered by the provisions of this chapter except as expressly authorized in Code Sections 40-6-370.1, 40-6-371, and 40-6-372."

SECTION 21.
Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:
The lease or rental of any vehicle for operation upon highways or sidewalks which is not otherwise provided for in this chapter or identified in the definitions contained in Code Section 40-1-1 shall be prohibited unless the person providing such vehicle for lease or rental obtains prior approval for such operation from a local authority.

SECTION 22.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-6-371, relating to powers of local authorities with respect to highways under their jurisdiction, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

(a) This chapter shall not be deemed to prevent local authorities with respect to streets and highways under their jurisdiction and within the reasonable exercise of the police power from:

1. Regulating or prohibiting stopping, standing, or parking;
2. Regulating traffic by means of police officers or official traffic-control devices;
3. Regulating or prohibiting processions or assemblages on the highways;
4. Designating particular highways or roadways for use by traffic moving in one direction as authorized in Code Section 40-6-47;
5. Establishing speed limits for vehicles in public parks, notwithstanding any provisions of law establishing a minimum speed limit for an area outside an urban or residential district;
6. Designating any highway as a through highway or designating any intersection or junction of roadway as a stop or yield intersection or junction;
7. Requiring the registration and inspection of bicycles and the registration of motorized mobility devices, including the requirement of a registration fee;
8. Designating any highway intersection as a 'yield right of way' intersection and requiring vehicles facing a 'yield right of way' sign to yield the right of way to other vehicles;
9. Regulating or prohibiting the turning of vehicles or specified types of vehicles;
10. Altering or establishing speed limits as authorized by law;
11. Designating no-passing zones as authorized in Code Section 40-6-46;
12. Prohibiting or regulating the use of controlled-access roadways by any class of vehicle or kind of traffic as authorized in Code Section 40-6-51;
13. Prohibiting or regulating the use of heavily traveled streets by any class of vehicle or kind of traffic found to be incompatible with the normal and safe movement of traffic;
14. Establishing minimum speed limits as authorized by law;
15. Designating hazardous railroad grade crossings as authorized in Code Section 40-6-141;
(16) Designating and regulating traffic on play streets;
(17) Regulating persons propelling push carts;
(18) Regulating persons upon skates, coasters, sleds, and other toy vehicles;
(18.1) Regulating the operation of electric personal assistive mobility devices, provided
that such regulations are no less restrictive than those imposed by Part 2A of Article 13
of this chapter;
(18.2) Regulating the operation of personal transportation vehicles, provided that such
regulations comply with Parts 3 and 6 of Article 13 of this chapter;
(18.3) Regulating the operation of motorized mobility devices, provided that such
regulations are no less restrictive than those imposed by this chapter;
(19) Adopting and enforcing such temporary or experimental regulations as may be
necessary to cover emergencies or special conditions; or
(20) Adopting such other traffic regulations as are specifically authorized by this
chapter.

SECTION 23.
This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
without such approval.

SECTION 24.
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

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