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H.B. No. 3701

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the titling, registration, and operation of an
3 autocycle.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 501.008(a), Transportation Code, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (a) In this section, "autocycle" means a motor vehicle,
8 other than a tractor, that is:

9 (1) designed to have when propelled not more than
10 three wheels on the ground;

11 (2) equipped with seat belts and a steering mechanism
12 [~~wheel~~];

13 (3) equipped with seating that does not require the
14 operator to straddle or sit astride the seat; and

15 (4) manufactured and certified to comply with federal
16 safety requirements for a motorcycle.

17 SECTION 2. Section 502.005(a), Transportation Code, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 (a) In this section, "autocycle" means a motor vehicle,
20 other than a tractor, that is:

21 (1) designed to have when propelled not more than
22 three wheels on the ground;

23 (2) equipped with seat belts and a steering mechanism
24 [~~wheel~~];

1 (3) equipped with seating that does not require the
2 operator to straddle or sit astride the seat; and

3 (4) manufactured and certified to comply with federal
4 safety requirements for a motorcycle.

5 SECTION 3. Section 661.0015, Transportation Code, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 661.0015. PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR FOR AUTOCYCLE. (a) In
8 this section, "autocycle" means a motor vehicle, other than a
9 tractor, that is:

10 (1) designed to have when propelled not more than
11 three wheels on the ground;

12 (2) equipped with seat belts and a steering mechanism
13 ~~[wheel]~~;

14 (3) equipped with seating that does not require the
15 operator to straddle or sit astride the seat; and

16 (4) manufactured and certified to comply with federal
17 safety requirements for a motorcycle.

18 (b) For purposes of this chapter, an autocycle is considered
19 to be a motorcycle, except that this chapter does not apply to an
20 autocycle that has a partially or fully enclosed cab.

21 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.