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H.B. No. 4122

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the operation and movement of motorcycles on a roadway
3 laned for traffic.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 545, Transportation Code,
6 is amended by adding Section 545.0605 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 545.0605. OPERATION OF MOTORCYCLES ON ROADWAY LANED
8 FOR TRAFFIC. (a) The operator of a motorcycle:

9 (1) is entitled to full use of a lane and, except as
10 otherwise provided by Subdivision (2), a motor vehicle may not be
11 driven in a manner that deprives a motorcycle of the full use of a
12 lane;

13 (2) may operate the motorcycle two abreast in a single
14 lane with another motorcycle; and

15 (3) may not;

16 (A) operate the motorcycle more than two abreast
17 in a single lane with other motorcycles;

18 (B) operate the motorcycle between lanes of
19 traffic moving in the same direction; or

20 (C) pass a motor vehicle while in the same lane as
21 the vehicle being passed.

22 (b) Subsection (a)(3) does not apply to a police officer in
23 the performance of the officer's official duties.

24 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.