S.B. No. 1115

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 <u>seat belts and</u> a steering <u>mechanism</u>
- 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.