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H.B. No. 3203

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the operation of a motorcycle on which a young person is  
3 a passenger.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 545.416, Transportation Code, is amended  
6 by adding Subsections (d) and (e) to read as follows:

7 (d) Except as provided by Subsection (e), the operator of a  
8 motorcycle may not carry as a passenger a person who is younger than  
9 15 years of age, and a person younger than 15 may not ride as a  
10 passenger on a motorcycle being operated by another, unless the  
11 person's feet rest firmly on passenger foot pegs that are attached  
12 to the motorcycle.

13 (e) Subsection (d) does not apply to:

14 (1) a motorcycle that is being operated in a residence  
15 district at a speed that is less than 20 miles per hour; or

16 (2) a passenger who is seated in a sidecar attached to  
17 the motorcycle.

18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.