

BICYCLE SAFETY PROVISIONS

2005 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies the Motor Vehicles Code by enacting a provision related to operating a motor vehicle near a bicycle.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ prohibits an operator of a motor vehicle from knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly operating a motor vehicle within three feet of a moving bicycle, unless the operator of the motor vehicle operates the motor vehicle within a reasonable and safe distance of the bicycle.

Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

This bill appropriates \$20,000 from the General Fund to the Utah Highway Patrol for a public education campaign to promote bicycle safety.

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

41-6a-706.5, Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **41-6a-706.5** is enacted to read:

41-6a-706.5. Operation of motor vehicle near bicycle prohibited.

An operator of a motor vehicle may not knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly operate a motor vehicle within three feet of a moving bicycle, unless the operator of the motor vehicle operates the motor vehicle within a reasonable and safe distance of the bicycle.

Section 2. Appropriation.

There is appropriated from the General Fund for fiscal year 2005-06, a one-time appropriation of \$20,000 to the Utah Highway Patrol for a public education campaign to promote bicycle safety.