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Transportation Corrections

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LONG TITLE

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General Description:

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This bill makes technical corrections to the Utah Code.

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Highlighted Provisions:

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This bill:

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- ▶ removes an obsolete subsection;
- ▶ clarifies the name of the Motor Vehicle Division;
- ▶ corrects a spelling mistake; and
- ▶ makes other technical changes.

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Money Appropriated in this Bill:

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None

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Other Special Clauses:

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Utah Code Sections Affected:

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AMENDS:

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41-6a-1115.5, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 445

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41-22-3.5, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2025, Chapter 279

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79-7-301, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 280

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

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Section 1. Section **41-6a-1115.5** is amended to read:

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41-6a-1115.5 . Electric assisted bicycles -- Restrictions -- Penalties.

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(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, an electric assisted bicycle is subject to the provisions [under] described in this chapter for a bicycle.

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(2) An individual may operate an electric assisted bicycle on a path or trail designated for the use of a bicycle.

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(3)(a) A local authority or state agency may adopt an ordinance or rule to regulate or restrict the use of an electric assisted bicycle, or a specific classification of an electric

31 assisted bicycle, on a sidewalk, path, or trail within the jurisdiction of the local
32 authority or state agency.

33 (b) When enacting ordinances or making rules related to the use of a pathway or
34 soft-surface trail, and during the planning or construction of a pathway or soft-surface
35 trail, a local authority or state agency shall consider accommodations and increased
36 trail access by a person with a mobility disability.

37 (4) An individual under 16 years old may not operate a class 3 electric assisted bicycle.

38 (5) An individual under 14 years old may not operate an electric assisted bicycle with the
39 electric motor engaged on any public property, highway, path, or sidewalk unless the
40 individual is under the direct supervision of the individual's parent or guardian.

41 (6) An individual under eight years old may not operate an electric assisted bicycle with the
42 electric motor engaged on any public property, highway, path, or sidewalk.

43 (7) The owner of an electric assisted bicycle may not authorize or knowingly permit an
44 individual to operate an electric assisted bicycle in violation of this section.

45 (8)(a) ~~[Beginning January 1, 2017, each]~~ A Utah-based manufacturer of an electric
46 assisted bicycle and ~~[each]~~ a distributor of an electric assisted bicycle in Utah shall
47 permanently affix a label in a prominent location on the electric assisted bicycle.

48 (b) ~~[Each]~~ A manufacturer and ~~[each distributor]~~ a distributor shall ensure that the label
49 is printed in Arial font, in 9-point type or larger, and includes the:

50 (i) appropriate electric assisted bicycle classification number described in Section
51 41-6a-102;
52 (ii) top assisted speed; and
53 (iii) wattage of the motor.

54 (c) A Utah-based manufacturer or seller shall ensure that a programmable electric
55 assisted bicycle is equipped with a conspicuous label indicating the class or classes of
56 electric assisted bicycle of which the programmable electric assisted bicycle is
57 capable of operating.

58 (d) ~~[Beginning May 1, 2024, a]~~ A seller of ~~[any]~~ a new or used vehicle with less than
59 four wheels that is powered by an electric motor that is not an electric assisted
60 bicycle shall clearly and conspicuously provide the following disclosure to a
61 prospective purchaser at the time of sale and in any advertising materials, online
62 website, or social media post promoting the vehicle: "THIS VEHICLE IS NOT AN
63 "ELECTRIC ASSISTED BICYCLE" AS DEFINED BY UTAH MOTOR VEHICLE
64 CODE AND IS INSTEAD A TYPE OF MOTOR VEHICLE AND SUBJECT TO

65 APPLICABLE MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS IF USED ON PUBLIC ROADS OR
66 PUBLIC LANDS. YOUR INSURANCE POLICIES MAY NOT PROVIDE
67 COVERAGE FOR ACCIDENTS INVOLVING THE USE OF THIS VEHICLE. TO
68 DETERMINE IF COVERAGE IS PROVIDED YOU SHOULD CONTACT YOUR
69 INSURANCE COMPANY OR AGENT."

70 (e) For a disclosure described in Subsection (8)(d), the seller shall ensure that the
71 disclosure appears in bold, capital letters at least the same font size as the description
72 of the vehicle.

73 (f) A person's actions to knowingly advertise, offer for sale, or sell a vehicle that is not
74 an electric assisted bicycle as an electric bicycle, electric assisted bicycle, electric
75 bike, or e-bike without making the disclosure described in Subsection (8)(d)
76 constitutes *prima facie* evidence of a deceptive trade practice under Section 13-11a-3.

77 (9) An individual who violates this section is guilty of an infraction.

78 (10) A class 2 electric assisted bicycle is subject to the restrictions of Section 41-6a-526.

79 Section 2. Section **41-22-3.5** is amended to read:

80 **41-22-3.5 . Staggered registration dates -- Registration renewal.**

81 (1) Unless exempted under Section 41-22-9, or unless the off-highway vehicle or
82 street-legal all-terrain vehicle is registered for a 24-month period as provided in Section
83 41-1a-215.5, [every] an off-highway vehicle registration, [every] a registration card, and [
84 every] a registration sticker issued under this chapter for the first registration of the
85 off-highway vehicle in this state, continues in effect for a period of 12 months beginning
86 with the first day of the calendar month of registration and does not expire until the last
87 day of the same month in the following year.

88 (2) If the last day of the registration period falls on a day in which the appropriate state or
89 county offices are not open for business, the registration of the off-highway vehicle is
90 extended to [12]midnight of the next business day.

91 (3)(a) The [division] Motor Vehicle Division may receive applications for registration
92 renewal and issue new registration cards at any time prior to the expiration of the
93 registration, subject to the availability of renewal materials.

94 (b) [Applications] An application for registration renewal shall be made in accordance
95 with Section 41-22-3.

96 (4)(a) The new registration shall retain the same expiration month as recorded on the
97 original registration even if the registration has expired.

98 (b) The year of registration expiration shall be changed to reflect the renewed

99 registration period.

100 (5) If the registration renewal application is an application generated by the [division] Motor
101 Vehicle Division through its automated system, the owner need not surrender the last
102 registration card or duplicate.

103 Section 3. Section **79-7-301** is amended to read:

104 **79-7-301 . Money to be appropriated -- Boating account expenses.**

105 [(1)] The Legislature shall appropriate the money from time to time necessary to carry out
106 the purposes of this chapter to the division to be used by the division in the
107 administration of the powers and duties and in carrying out the objective and purposes [
108 ~~prescribed by~~] described in this chapter.

109 [(2)] Departmental operating and administrative expenses for the administration of the
110 boating account of the division shall be charged against that account.]

111 Section 4. **Effective Date.**

112 This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.