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41-6a-1512 Safety program -- Personal electric vehicles.

- (1) As used in this section:
 - (a) "Personal electric vehicle" means an electric assisted bicycle, high power electric device, or motor assisted scooter.
 - (b) "Personal electric vehicle safety certificate" means the personal electric vehicle safety certificate issued under Subsection (2)(c).
 - (c) "Program" means the personal electric vehicle safety education and training program described in Subsection (2)(a).
- (2) The department shall:
 - (a) design and administer a personal electric vehicle safety education and training program to develop and instill the knowledge, attitudes, habits, and skills necessary for the safe and ethical operation of a personal electric vehicle on a highway;
 - (b) in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, make rules that establish curriculum standards for the program;
 - (c) issue a personal electric vehicle safety certificate to an individual who successfully completes the program; and
 - (d) ensure that an individual may complete the program online.
- (3) The department may:
 - (a) contract with another person to implement the program; and
 - (b) collect a fee of \$10 or less from each applicant for administration of the program.
- (4)
 - (a) An individual eight years old or older and younger than 16 years old may not operate a personal electric vehicle on a highway in this state unless:
 - (i) the individual obtains a personal electric vehicle safety certificate; or
 - (ii) the individual is under direct supervision of a parent or responsible adult while operating a personal electric device on a highway.
 - (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (4)(a), an individual who is younger than 16 years old may not operate a high power electric device on a highway.
 - (c) An individual who is younger than eight years old may not operate a personal electric vehicle on a highway.
- (5) An individual younger than 16 years old may not operate a personal electric vehicle on a freeway.
- (6) A person may not rent a personal electric vehicle to an individual under 16 years old unless the individual who will operate the personal electric vehicle:
 - (a) presents the certificate described in Subsection (2)(c); or
 - (b) is under direct supervision of the individual's parent or a responsible adult.
- (7)
 - (a) In addition to the governmental immunity granted in Title 63G, Chapter 7, Governmental Immunity Act of Utah, the state is immune from suit for any act, or failure to act, in any capacity relating to the personal electric vehicle safety education and training program.
 - (b) The state is not responsible for any insufficiency or inadequacy in the quality of training provided by this program.
- (8) A violation of this section by an operator of a personal electric vehicle:
 - (a) does not constitute contributory or comparative negligence on the part of a party in an action for recovery of damages; and
 - (b) may not be introduced as evidence in any civil litigation on the issue of negligence, injuries, or the mitigation of damages.

(9) A violation of this section is an infraction and a fine associated with a conviction under this section may not exceed \$150 per offense.

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