

HOUSE No. 4306

By Miss Howe of Somerville, petition of Marie E. Howe for legislation to modify the requirements for wearing protective headgear while operating a motorcycle. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Five.

AN ACT MODIFYING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR WEARING PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR WHILE OPERATING A MOTORCYCLE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. The last sentence of the first paragraph of section
2 seven of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as inserted by chapter
3 thirteen of the acts of nineteen hundred and sixty-seven, is hereby
4 deleted and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: —
5 Every person under the age of twenty years, or every person issued a
6 learner's permit restricted to the operation of a motorcycle shall
7 wear protective headgear conforming with such minimum stan-
8 dards of construction and performance as the registrar may prescribe.

1 SECTION 2. The registrar may at his discretion establish a
2 program of education and training for motorcycle operators which
3 may include but need not be limited to formal classroom instruc-
4 tion and roadway training. He may receive private or public grants,
5 gifts, loans or other funds for this purpose and disburse the same as
6 he deems necessary or appropriate according to law. No person
7 who seeks or obtains a license to operate a motorcycle shall be
8 required to participate in said program of education and training
9 as a condition to obtaining or maintaining such license. Also the
10 Insurance Commissioner may at their discretion give a reduction.

