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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" H.P. 96, L.D. 117, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Lights and Reflectors on Bicycles."

Amend said bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

'<u>R.S., T. 29, §1962, amended.</u> Section 1962 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

§1962. Equipment

Every bicycle when in use in the nighttime <u>or at other times</u> when motor vehicles are required to display headlamps by section <u>1366</u> shall be equipped with <u>and have lighted</u> a lamp on the front which shall emit a white light visible from a distance of at least 200 feet to the front and a red reflector to the rear which shall be visible at least 50 200 feet to the rear. <u>Bicycle pedals</u> <u>shall bear reflector strips and bicycle handlebars shall bear</u> <u>reflector tapes when in use in the nighttime or at other times when</u> <u>motor vehicles are required to display headlamps by section 1366.</u> Every bicycle shall be equipped with a brake which shall enable the operator to stop the bicycle within a reasonable distance.'

Statement of Fact

This bill, as amended, requires use of lights on bicycles not only in the nighttime, as currently specified in section 1962 of Title 29, but at other times when motor vehicles are required to display headlamps by section 1366. It also requires reflectors on bicycles to be visible 200 feet to the rear rather than 50 feet. It also requires reflector tapes on handlebars when bicycles are used in the nighttime or at other designated times.

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