

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 (Governor's Bill)

2 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
3

4 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
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6 Legislative Document

No. 89

7
8 S.P. 63

In Senate, January 17, 1985

9 Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered
10 printed.

11 JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Danton of York.

12 Cosponsored by Representative Nelson of Portland, Senator Bustin of
Kennebec and Representative Carroll of Gray.

13 STATE OF MAINE
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15 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
16 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
17

18 AN ACT Requiring Protective Headgear for
19 all Motorcycle, Motor Driven Cycle and Moped
20 Riders.
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22 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
23 follows:

24 29 MRSA §1376, as amended by PL 1983, c. 415, is
25 repealed and the following enacted in its place:

26 §1376. Protective headgear for motorcycle, motor
27 driven cycle and moped riders

28 Every person who operates a motorcycle or motor
29 driven cycle or moped, whether on or off the high-
30 ways, shall wear protective headgear. Every person
31 who rides as a passenger on a motorcycle or motor
32 driven cycle or moped or in a sidecar attached to a
33 motorcycle or motor driven cycle, whether on or off

1 the highways, shall wear protective headgear.

2 No operator of a motorcycle or motor driven cycle
3 or moped may allow a passenger to ride in violation
4 of this section.

5 All protective headgear prescribed in this sec-
6 tion shall conform with minimum standards of con-
7 struction and performance, as prescribed by the Amer-
8 ican National Standards Institute specification Z
9 90.1 or by the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard
10 No. 218.

11 Violation of this section is a civil violation
12 for which a forfeiture of \$25 for the first violation
13 and \$50 for each subsequent violation shall be ad-
14 judged.

15 STATEMENT OF FACT

16 This bill requires mandatory use of helmets by
17 all operators and passengers of motorcycles, motor
18 driven cycles and mopeds.

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