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LD 1109 An Act To Align Equipment Requirements for Electric Bicycles with National Manufacturing Standards

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 86 restricts the speedometer requirement for electric bicycles to Class 3 electric bicycles to align the requirement with national manufacturing standards.

LD 1122 An Act To Promote Public Safety by Allowing Lighted Signs on Certain Vehicles

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 368 authorizes the display of illuminated signs on delivery vehicles that transport customers or property as long as the only information on the sign is the name and telephone number of the company providing the delivery. It amends the law to clarify that an illuminated sign with the same information may be affixed to the roof of a vehicle for the conveyance of passengers. It also specifies that an illuminated sign on a delivery vehicle may be illuminated only when making a delivery, as determined by the Department of Public Safety by rule and adds certain requirements regarding messages on the illuminated sign and fastening the sign to the delivery vehicle.

LD 1133 An Act To Amend the Transportation Laws

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 239 makes the following changes to the transportation laws.

- 1. It revises the priority classifications and goals for the State's public highways.
- 2. It authorizes the Commissioner of Transportation to convene a rail corridor use advisory council to advise and make recommendations each time one or more governmental entities that represent communities along a state-owned rail corridor request that the Department of Transportation review a nonrail recreational use or nonrecreational transportation use of that rail corridor. It also prohibits the department from dismantling or making changes to state-owned railroad track for a nonrail use without going through the advisory council process and obtaining legislative approval.
- 3. It defines "roundabouts" and includes them in the laws governing the use of traffic circles and rotaries.