

# HB0290



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2011 and 2012

**HB0290**

Introduced 01/28/11, by Rep. Mary E. Flowers

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/11-1404

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-1404

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code to require every operator and passenger on a motorcycle, motor driven cycle, or motorized pedalcycle to wear a helmet that meets federal safety standards.

LRB097 06645 HEP 46731 b

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing  
5 Section 11-1404 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/11-1404) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-1404)

7 Sec. 11-1404. Special equipment for persons riding  
8 motorcycles, motor driven cycles or mopeds.

9 (a) The operator and every passenger of a motorcycle, motor  
10 driven cycle, or moped must wear a helmet which meets the  
11 requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 218,  
12 and must ~~and every passenger thereon shall~~ be protected by  
13 glasses, goggles, or a transparent shield.

14 (b) For the purposes of this Section, glasses, goggles, and  
15 transparent shields are defined as follows:

16 "Glasses" means ordinary eye pieces such as spectacles or  
17 sunglasses worn before the eye, made of shatter-resistant  
18 material. Shatter-resistant material, as used in this Section,  
19 means material so manufactured, fabricated, or created that it  
20 substantially prevents shattering or flying when struck or  
21 broken.

22 "Goggles" means a device worn before the eyes, the  
23 predominant function of which is protecting the eyes without

1 obstructing peripheral vision. Goggles shall provide  
2 protection from the front and sides, and may or may not form a  
3 complete seal with the face.

4 "Transparent shield" means a windshield attached to the  
5 front of a motorcycle that extends above the eyes when an  
6 operator is seated in the normal, upright riding position, made  
7 of shatter-resistant material, or a shatter-resistant  
8 protective face shield that covers the wearer's eyes and face  
9 at least to a point approximately to the tip of the nose.

10 (c) Contact lenses are not acceptable eye protection  
11 devices.

12 (Source: P.A. 96-554, eff. 1-1-10.)