

## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

# 2021 and 2022

#### HB0656

Introduced 2/8/2021, by Rep. Thomas M. Bennett

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/11-1403 from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-1403

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Requires the passenger of a motorcycle to be capable of resting a foot on the footrest while the motorcycle is in motion.

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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 5 changing Section 11-1403 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/11-1403) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-1403)

7 Sec. 11-1403. Riding on motorcycles.

8 (a) A person operating a motorcycle shall ride only upon 9 the permanent and regular seat attached thereto, and such operator shall not carry any other person nor shall any other 10 person ride on a motorcycle unless such motorcycle is designed 11 to carry more than one person, in which event a passenger may 12 13 ride upon the permanent and regular seat if designed for 2 14 upon another seat firmly attached to the persons, or motorcycle at the rear or side of the operator. 15

16 (b) A person shall ride upon a motorcycle only while 17 sitting astride the seat, facing forward, with one leg on each 18 side of the motorcycle.

(c) No person shall operate any motorcycle with handlebar grips higher than the height of the head of the operator when the operator is seated in the normal driving position astride that portion of the seat or saddle occupied by the operator.

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(d) The operator of any motorcycle shall keep at least one

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hand on a handlebar grip at all times the motorcycle is in
motion.
(e) The operator of a motorcycle may not transport a
passenger unless the passenger is capable of resting a foot on
the footrest while the motorcycle is in motion.
(Source: P.A. 97-743, eff. 1-1-13.)