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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 328

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 371, VOLUME 83 OF THE LAWS OF DELAWARE RELATING TO MOTORCYCLE SAFETY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

- 1 Section 1 Amend Section 2, Chapter 371, Volume 83, by making deletions as shown by strike throughs and
- 2 insertions as shown by underlines as follows:
- 3 Section 2. This Act expires on January 1, 2025, June 30, 2030 unless otherwise provided by a subsequent act of
- 4 the General Assembly.

SYNOPSIS

Senate Bill No. 288 of the 151st General Assembly (Chapter 371 of Volume 83 of the Laws of Delaware) created a pilot program whereby motorcyclists are permitted to use pulsating headlights as a way to alert other drivers of their presence, without allowing the use of flashing lights that would otherwise be used on emergency vehicles. SB 288 contained a sunset clause providing that the pilot program would expire on January 1, 2025, unless the General Assembly took action to extend or remove the sunset clause. This Act extends the sunset clause until June 30, 2030. The main reason for the extension is that many motorcycle owners have and are continuing to replace their lights with LED technology... up until 2024 the technology of a modulating device was not available for the LED lights only standard lighting had that option. To be able to better see if the pulsating lighting is effective the pilot program should be extended to adequately gauge what the new LED systems effectiveness is.

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