



SPONSOR: Rep. Wagner

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

141st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 1

TO

HOUSE BILL NO. 315

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

1 WHEREAS, enactment of this legislation will help reduce many scooter-related injuries suffered by children;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, from January through November 15,  
4 2000 there have been more than 30,000 scooter-related injuries treated in emergency rooms nationwide; and

5 WHEREAS, children under the age of 15 account for about 85% of those injuries; and

6 WHEREAS, this legislation will help protect children under the age of 16 within the State of Delaware by  
7 requiring them to wear approved bicycle helmets while riding a scooter;

8 NOW, THEREFORE:

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE (Two-thirds of all  
10 members elected to each house thereof concurring therein):

11 Section 1. Amend §4198L(a), Title 21 of the Delaware Code by inserting "or scooter" between "any bicycle"  
12 and ", unless" in the first sentence of subsection (a).

13 Section 2. Amend §4198L(a), Title 21 of the Delaware Code by inserting "also" between "shall" and "apply" in  
14 the last sentence of subsection (a).

15 Section 3. Amend §4198L(d) Title 21 of the Delaware Code by inserting "or scooter" between "bicycle" and "is  
16 being".

17           Section 4. Amend §101, Title 21 of the Delaware Code by adding thereto a new subsection to read:  
18                       "(78) 'Scooter' means a human-powered vehicle consisting of a footboard mounted between two or  
19           more wheels, with an upright steering handle attached to the front wheel, and that is usually operated by placing  
20           one foot on the footboard, pushing with the other foot, and steering with the handle."