

Regular Session, 2004

HOUSE BILL NO. 109

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAUDOIN

MOTOR VEHICLES: Requires any person who operates or rides upon a motorcycle to wear a safety helmet

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:190(A), relative to motorcycles; to require any person who  
3 operates or rides upon a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or motorized bicycle to wear  
4 a safety helmet; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 32:190(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §190. Safety helmets

8 A.~~(1)~~ No person ~~under the age of eighteen years~~ shall operate or ride upon  
9 any motorcycle, ~~motor-driven~~ motor-driven cycle, or motorized bicycle unless the  
10 person is equipped with and is wearing on the head a safety helmet of the type and  
11 design manufactured for use by operators of such vehicles, which shall be secured  
12 properly with a chin strap while the vehicle is in motion. All such safety helmets  
13 shall consist of lining, padding, visor, and chin strap and shall meet such other  
14 specifications as shall be established by the commissioner.

15 ~~(2) Any person eighteen years of age or older who chooses not to wear a~~  
16 ~~helmet as provided for in Paragraph(1) shall be covered by a health insurance policy~~  
17 ~~with medical benefits of at least ten thousand dollars for bodily injuries and shall~~  
18 ~~furnish proof of such policy to any law enforcement officer upon the request of such~~  
19 ~~officer.~~

