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HOUSE BILL 1359

Short Title: No Skateboards on Highways. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Allred; and Lucas.

Referred to: Transportation, if favorable, Judiciary III.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF SKATEBOARDS ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 20-4.01 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(41b) Skateboard. – A human-powered device, with at least two tandem wheels in contact with the ground and a deck on which a person may ride, designed to transport one or more persons by pushing against the ground with the foot."

SECTION 2. Part 10 of Article 3 of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 20-171A. Skateboards on highways prohibited.

(a) No person shall operate a skateboard on a public highway. Violation of this subsection by a person 16 years of age or older shall be an infraction.

(b) No parent or legal guardian of a person below the age of 16 shall knowingly permit that person to operate a skateboard on a public highway. Violation of this subsection shall be an infraction but shall not be a moving violation.

(c) No negligence or liability shall be assessed on or imputed to any party on account of a violation of subsection (a) or (b) of this section.

(d) No points authorized by G.S. 20-16(c), nor insurance points as authorized by G.S. 58-36-65, shall be assigned to the operator of the skateboard."

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective December 1, 2009, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

