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Act 154 – Pedalcycle

Act 154, which becomes law on December 22, 2014, amends Section 102 of Title 75, Pennsylvania Vehicle Code to include “pedalcycle with electric assist” to the existing definition for pedalcycles. Section 102 has been further amended to define “pedalcycle with electric assist” as follows:

- **Pedalcycle with Electric Assist:** A vehicle weighing not more than 100 pounds with two or three wheels more than 11 inches in diameter, manufactured or assembled with an electric motor system rated at not more than 750 watts and equipped with operable pedals and capable of a speed not more than 20 miles per hour on a level surface when powered by the motor source only. The term does not include a device specifically designed for use by persons with disabilities.

With the definition revisions above, pedalcycles with electric assist are no longer considered a moped and will be treated as a bicycle. Pedalcycles with electric assist do not require titling, registration or insurance. The operator does not require a driver’s license, but must be at least 16 years of age.

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