

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 317

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHAMERHORN

MOTOR VEHICLES: Removes the helmet requirement for certain motorcycle operators

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:190(A), relative to use of safety helmets; to remove the
3 requirement to wear safety helmets for operators and riders of motorcycles who meet
4 certain requirements; 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 shall operate or ride upon any motorcycle, motor-driven
9 cycle, or motorized bicycle unless the person is equipped with and is wearing on the
10 head a safety helmet of the type and design manufactured for use by operators of
11 such vehicles, which shall be secured properly with a chin strap while the vehicle is
12 in motion. All such safety helmets shall consist of lining, padding, visor, and chin
13 strap and shall meet such other specifications as shall be established by the
14 commissioner.

15 (2) For the purposes of this Subsection, operators and riders of motorcycles
16 shall only include the following:

17 (a) Persons under the age of twenty-one years.

18 (b) Persons who are twenty-one years of age and up who have not completed
19 a motorcycle safety course or who have not obtained proof of hospitalization on their
20 insurance.

