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Existing law defines "autocycle" as meaning an enclosed motorcycle that is equipped with safety belts, rollbar, windshield wipers, steering wheel, and equipment otherwise required on a motorcycle and which has no more than three wheels in contact with the roadway at any one time.

<u>New law</u> retains <u>existing law</u> and adds that an "autocycle" shall also include enclosed motorcycles with a roll cage.

New law defines "roll cage" as used in the definition of "autocycle".

Existing law exempts persons operating or riding in an autocycle with a roof that meets or exceeds standards from having to wear a safety helmet.

<u>New law</u> retains <u>existing law</u> and exempts persons operating or riding in an autocycle with a roll cage from having to wear a safety helmet. Also, defines "roll cage" in the context of autocycles for which the exemption applies.

Existing law requires operators of motorcycles to obtain a special endorsement on their driver's license.

<u>New law</u> exempts operators of autocycles with certain features from the requirement to obtain a special endorsement on their driver's license.

Effective Jan. 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 32:1(1.1) and 190(D); Adds R.S. 32:401(24) and 408(C)(3))