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## California Electric Bicycle Bills

For over a decade, electric bicycles have been a critical part of addressing transportation and climate issues. E-bikes increase access to cycling for people who might otherwise not bike – and they are fun to ride! E-motos are not legal electric bicycles but are being falsely advertised and sold as e-bikes, and are creating growing safety concerns on our streets. We encourage the Legislature to focus on regulating, educating, and enforcing laws against deceptive advertising and illegal use of e-motos on our streets, rather than overregulating safe, legal e-bikes.

### **We urge your support of these bills that protect access to safe, legal electric bikes**

**SB 1167 (Blakespear)** - Defines e-motos as mopeds, motor-driven cycles, or motorcycles and regulates them as motor vehicles with applicable dealer licensing, registration, insurance, consumer disclosure and product safety requirements.

**AB 2284 (Dixon)** - Requires the Attorney General to review the marketplace and produce a list of noncompliant e-motos for law enforcement and the public.

### **We urge your opposition to these bills that limit access to legal electric bikes and do not address e-motos**

**AB 1557 (Papan)** - Redefines nationwide standards for legal e-bikes that will burden consumers, manufacturers, and retailers that will create confusion in the e-bike market and effectively decimate ridership.

**AB 1942 (Bauer-Kahan)** - Requires onerous and impractical DMV regulations to e-bike riders, treating bicycles as motor vehicles, that will ultimately restrict the use of e-bikes and create unnecessary state costs.

**AB 2346 (Wilson)** - Imposes restrictive speed limits that will open the door to pretextual policing targeting children riding bikes. It also imposes enormous and disproportionate civil penalties for established e-bike sellers.

**SB 956 (Choi)** - Allows cities in Orange County to deviate from state laws to over-regulate and penalize law-abiding e-bike riders.