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INTRODUCED BY DeLUCA, KOTIK, BARRAR, SCHREIBER, McNEILL, COHEN,
SCHLOSSBERG, MURT, FARINA AND D. COSTA, JUNE 24, 2015

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in special vehicles and pedestrians, further
3 providing for pedalcycle helmets for certain persons.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 3510(a), (b.3) and (d) of Title 75 of the
7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

8 § 3510. Pedalcycle helmets for certain persons.

9 (a) General rule.--A person under [12] 16 years of age shall
10 not operate a pedalcycle or ride as a passenger on a pedalcycle
11 unless the person is wearing a pedalcycle helmet meeting the
12 standards of the American National Standards Institute, the
13 American Society for Testing and Materials, the Snell Memorial
14 Foundation's Standards for Protective Headgear for Use in
15 Bicycling or any other nationally recognized standard for
16 pedalcycle helmet approval. This subsection shall also apply to
17 a person who rides:

18 (1) upon a pedalcycle while in a restraining seat

1 attached to a pedalcycle; or

2 (2) in a trailer towed by a pedalcycle.

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4 (b.3) Exemption.--This section shall not apply to a child
5 under [12] 16 years of age who can produce a statement from the
6 family's church authorities attesting that it is against the
7 tenets of the family's religion to wear a helmet.

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9 (d) Penalty.--Notwithstanding any other provisions of law,
10 any violation of subsection (a) is punishable by a fine,
11 including all penalties, assessments and court costs imposed on
12 the convicted person not to exceed \$25. The parent or legal
13 guardian having control or custody of a person under [12] 16
14 years of age whose conduct violates this section shall be
15 jointly and severally liable with the person for the amount of
16 the fine imposed.

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18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.