STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

April 22, 2026

Introduced by Sen. ADDABBO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to requiring every sale of a bicycle with electric assist or electric scooter to include a helmet

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 1242 of the vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new subdivision 14 to read as follows:

14. No person, firm, association or corporation engaged in the business of selling or leasing bicycles with electric assist shall sell or lease any bicycle with electric assist unless such sale or lease also includes a helmet suitable for use while operating such bicycle.

§ 2. Section 1282 of the vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new subdivision 13 to read as follows:

13. No person, firm, association or corporation engaged in the business of selling or leasing electric scooters shall sell or lease any electric scooter unless such sale or lease also includes a helmet suitable for use while operating such electric scooter.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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