

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

January 14, 2026

Introduced by Sen. BORRELLO -- 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 authorizing law enforcement to seize class three bicycles with an electric assist when such bicycles are found outside a city having a population of one million or more

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

1 Section 1. Subdivisions 10 and 12 of section 1242 of the vehicle and
2 traffic law, as added by section 8 of part XX of chapter 58 of the laws
3 of 2020, are amended and a new subdivision 14 is added to read as
4 follows:

5 10. The operation of a class three bicycle with electric assist
6 outside of a city having a population of one million or more is prohib-
7 ited. Any peace officer as such term is defined in section 2.10 of the
8 criminal procedure law shall be authorized to seize a class three bicy-
9 cle with electric assist if such bicycle is operated outside a city
10 having a population of one million or more. Further, such peace officer
11 shall transport the class three bicycle with electric assist to such
12 officer's local station or a secure municipal impound facility, whichev-
13 er is closest.

14 12. A violation of the provisions of subdivision two, five, six~~[7]~~ or
15 nine~~[7, or ten]~~ of this section shall result in a civil fine not to
16 exceed fifty dollars.

17 14. A violation of subdivision ten of this section shall result in a
18 civil fine not to exceed fifty dollars and an administrative fee of two
19 hundred fifty dollars for the first offense, five hundred dollars for
20 the second offense and seven hundred fifty dollars for the third offense
21 and every subsequent offense. A person shall not have the class three
22 bicycle with electric assist returned to them pursuant to subdivision
23 ten of this section until such civil fine and administrative fee is
24 paid.

25 § 2. 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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