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:

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

10. The operation of a class three bicycle with electric assist outside of a city having a population of one million or more is prohibited. **Any peace officer as such term is defined in section 2.10 of the criminal procedure law shall be authorized to seize a class three bicycle with electric assist if such bicycle is operated outside a city having a population of one million or more. Further, such peace officer shall transport the class three bicycle with electric assist to such officer's local station or a secure municipal impound facility, whichever is closest.**

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

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

§ 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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