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Senator Todd Weiler proposes the following substitute bill:

VULNERABLE USERS OF HIGHWAYS AMENDMENTS

2013 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Todd Weiler

House Sponsor: ~~_____~~ V. Lowry Snow

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies the Traffic Code by enacting provisions relating to vulnerable users of a highway.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines a vulnerable user of a highway; ~~and~~
- ▶ prohibits an operator of a motor vehicle from operating a motor vehicle within three feet of a vulnerable user of a highway;
- ▶ provides that an operator of a motor vehicle may not knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly:
 - distract or attempt to distract a vulnerable user of a highway for a purpose unrelated to public safety; or

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- force or attempt to force a vulnerable user of a highway off of the roadway for a purpose unrelated to public safety;
- ▶ provides penalties for distracting a vulnerable user of a highway or forcing a vulnerable user of a highway off of the roadway for a purpose unrelated to public safety; and
- ▶ makes technical corrections.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

41-6a-706.5, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 216

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **41-6a-706.5** is amended to read:

41-6a-706.5. Definitions -- Operation of motor vehicle near ~~bicycle~~ a vulnerable user of a highway prohibited -- Endangering a vulnerable user of a highway prohibited.

(1) As used in this section, "vulnerable user of a highway" means:

(a) a pedestrian, including a person engaged in work upon a highway or upon utilities facilities along a highway or providing emergency services within the right-of-way of a highway;

(b) a person riding an animal; or

(c) a person operating any of the following on a highway:

(i) a farm tractor or implement of husbandry, without an enclosed shell;

(ii) a skateboard;

(iii) roller skates;

(iv) in-line skates;

(v) a bicycle;

(vi) an electric-assisted bicycle;

(vii) an electric personal assistive mobility device;

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(viii) a moped;

(ix) a motor-driven cycle;

(x) a motorized scooter; ~~f.;~~ or ~~f.~~

(xi) a motorcycle ~~f.;~~ or

(xii) a manual wheelchair.

(2) An operator of a motor vehicle may not knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly:

(a) operate a motor vehicle within three feet of a ~~moving bicycle, unless the operator of the motor vehicle operates the motor vehicle within a reasonable and safe distance of the bicycle~~ ~~{f};~~ vulnerable user of a highway;

(b) distract or attempt to distract a vulnerable user of a highway for a purpose unrelated to public safety; or

(c) force or attempt to force a vulnerable user of a highway off of the roadway for a purpose unrelated to public safety.

(3) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (3)(b), a violation of Subsection (2) is a class C misdemeanor.

(b) A violation of Subsection (2) that results in bodily injury to the vulnerable user of a highway is a class B misdemeanor.