



# HOUSE BILL 28: DOT/Access of Motorcyclists.

**This Bill Analysis  
reflects the  
contents of the bill  
as it was presented  
in committee.**

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**OVERVIEW:** *House Bill 28 would prohibit the Department of Transportation from taking actions with the purpose of restricting access of motorcyclists to transportation facilities.*

**CURRENT LAW:** G.S. 136-18(5), authorizes the Department of Transportation (DOT) to make rules, regulations, and ordinances for the use of State highways.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** House Bill 28 would:

- Prohibit DOT from taking any action that prohibits or imposes a requirement that applies only to a motorcyclist and the purpose of the action is to restrict access of a motorcyclist to any highway, bridge, tunnel, or other transportation facility.
- Require DOT, and any other owner or operator of a transportation facility funded in whole or in part by State or local funds, to make reasonable accommodations for motorcycle parking at transportation facilities.
- Provide that the new law does not supersede any State or federal law that prohibits or imposes a requirement that applies only to a motorcyclist.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act would become effective July 1, 2017.

**BACKGROUND:** Similar legislation was enacted in South Carolina in 2014. (House Bill 3231, S.L. 2014-148)

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