



HOUSE BILL 259: 2023 Appropriations Act, Sec. 41.11H: Modify Low-Speed Vehicle Definition

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OVERVIEW: Section 41.11H of S.L. 2023-134 expands the definition of low-speed vehicle to include a four-wheeled vehicle propelled by a gasoline engine. The current definition of low-speed vehicle is limited to electric vehicles.

This section became effective October 1, 2023.

CURRENT LAW & BILL ANALYSIS: A low-speed vehicle was defined as a category of passenger vehicles that were electric with a top speed greater than 20 miles per hour but less than 25 miles per hour. Generally, low-speed vehicles may be operated on roads with posted speed limits of 35 miles per hour or less if they satisfy federal and State operation, equipment, vehicle identification number, registration, and safety requirements.

This section expands the definition of low-speed vehicle to include a four-wheeled vehicle propelled by a gasoline engine with a top speed greater than 20 miles per hour but less than 25 miles per hour.

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