

HB 1389 -- AUTOCYCLES

SPONSOR: Fitzpatrick

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Transportation by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Rules- Administrative Oversight Committee by a vote of 11 to 2.

This bill exempts all types of autocycles, whether or not they have a specific type of roof, from the helmet requirements currently imposed on motorcycle riders under Section 304.005, RSMo.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that autocycles generally have roll bars and seat belts or air bags so that they are as safe as many types of cars such as convertibles and that a helmet is unnecessary.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Fitzpatrick and Abate For Missouri.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.