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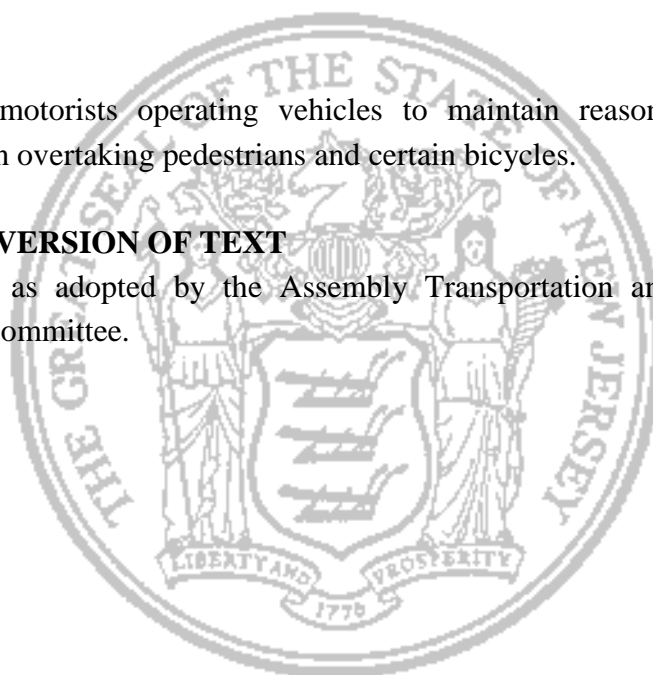
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SYNOPSIS

Requires motorists operating vehicles to maintain reasonable and safe distance when overtaking pedestrians and certain bicycles.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Substitute as adopted by the Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee.



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1 **AN ACT** concerning the operation of motor vehicles overtaking
2 certain bicycles and pedestrians and supplementing Title 39 of
3 the Revised Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
6 *of New Jersey:*

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8 1. a. (1) The driver of a vehicle overtaking a bicycle proceeding
9 in the same direction as the vehicle shall leave a reasonable and safe
10 distance between the vehicle and the bicycle of not less than four
11 feet until the vehicle has safely passed the bicycle.

12 (2) The driver of a vehicle overtaking a pedestrian shall leave a
13 reasonable and safe distance between the vehicle and the pedestrian
14 of not less than four feet until the vehicle has safely passed the
15 pedestrian.

16 b. For the purposes of this section, “pedestrian” shall include,
17 but not be limited to, a pedestrian as defined in R.S.39:1-1, a person
18 in a wheelchair or motorized wheelchair as defined in R.S.39:1-1, a
19 person employed by or who contracts with any public utility
20 company in this State, a property maintenance worker, or any other
21 person who is legally permitted to be upon the roadway for work or
22 recreation.

23 c. A person violating the provisions of this section shall be
24 subject to a fine of not less than \$100 or more than \$500.

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26 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the seventh month
27 following enactment.