

HOUSE BILL No. 1031

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-13-2-69.5; IC 9-19-11.5.

Synopsis: Go-cart passenger restraints. Requires go-carts to be equipped with safety belts that conform to specifications adopted by the bureau of motor vehicles. Requires each occupant of a go-cart who is less than 18 years of age to wear a safety belt at all times that the go-cart is in motion. Provides that a violation is a Class C infraction.

Effective: July 1, 1998.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 1997 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-13-2-69.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 1998]: **Sec. 69.5. "Go-cart" means a four (4) wheeled vehicle**
4 **that:**

- 5 (1) **is propelled by an internal combustion engine that has:**
6 (A) **an engine rating of not more than five (5) horsepower;**
7 **or**
8 (B) **a cylinder capacity of not more than one hundred**
9 **twenty-five (125) cubic centimeters;**
10 (2) **is constructed of a pipe or tubing frame;**
11 (3) **has a steering wheel; and**
12 (4) **has seats for not more than two (2) individuals.**

13 SECTION 2. IC 9-19-11.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
14 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
15 JULY 1, 1998]:

16 **Chapter 11.5. Passenger Restraint Systems for Go-carts**
17 **Sec. 1. Each occupant of a go-cart who is less than eighteen (18)**



1 years of age must have a safety belt properly fastened around the
2 occupant's body at all times when the go-cart is in motion.

3 **Sec. 2. After June 30, 1998, a person may not buy, sell, lease,**
4 **trade, or transfer from or to an Indiana resident at retail a go-cart**
5 **that is manufactured or assembled unless the go-cart is equipped**
6 **with safety belts for use by each occupant.**

7 **Sec. 3. (a) A safety belt for use in a go-cart must be:**

8 (1) of a type; and

9 (2) installed in a manner;

10 approved by the bureau.

11 (b) The bureau shall establish specifications and requirements
12 for approved types of safety belts and attachments to the safety
13 belts.

14 **Sec. 4. A person who violates this chapter commits a Class C**
15 **infraction.**

