
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1542

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By House Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representatives Buys, Haler, Johnson, and Condotta)

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1 AN ACT Relating to possession of motorcycle theft tools; adding a
2 new section to chapter 9A.56 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 9A.56 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Every person who possesses, gives, or lends any device designed
7 to bypass the factory installed ignition of a motorcycle in order to
8 start the engine of a motorcycle without a manufacturer's key, with the
9 intent to unlawfully take or drive, or to facilitate the unlawful
10 taking or driving of, a motorcycle without the consent of the owner is
11 guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

12 (2) Every person who possesses, gives, or lends any item of
13 hardware including, but not limited to, bolt cutters, electrical tape,
14 wire cutters, wire strippers, or allen wrenches, with the intent to
15 unlawfully take or drive, or to facilitate the unlawful taking or
16 driving of, a motorcycle without the consent of the owner is guilty of
17 a gross misdemeanor.

18 (3) For purposes of this section, "device" includes any motorcycle

1 ignition, or any part thereof, an altered motorcycle ignition known as
2 a pigtail, and a secondary ignition.

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