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BICYCLES RIDDEN ON ROADS

House Bill 4864

Sponsor: Rep. James McNutt Committee: Transportation

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4864 AS INTRODUCED 6-16-93

The Michigan Vehicle Code currently requires someone operating a bicycle or moped on a roadway to ride as near to the right side of the road as is practicable, except that a bicyclist may pass a standing vehicle or one moving in the same direction. However, where a usable and designated "path for bicycles" is provided adjacent to a road, the bike rider must use the path and is prohibited from using the road. The bill would delete the requirement for a bicyclist to use an available bike path instead of the road and, thus, would permit a bike to be ridden on a road even when a suitable bike path otherwise could be used.

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