



**STATE OF IOWA**  
KIM REYNOLDS  
GOVERNOR

April 30, 2026

The Honorable Paul Pate  
Secretary of State of Iowa  
State Capitol  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

Senate File 490, an Act relating to the maximum power output for low-speed electric bicycles and pedestrian conveyances powered by an electric motor.

The above Senate File is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kim Reynolds".

Kim Reynolds  
Governor of Iowa

cc: Secretary of the Senate  
Clerk of the House



Senate File 490

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE MAXIMUM POWER OUTPUT FOR LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC BICYCLES AND PEDESTRIAN CONVEYANCES POWERED BY AN ELECTRIC MOTOR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

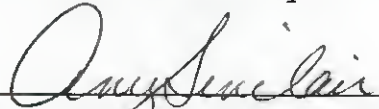
Section 1. Section 321.1, subsection 36A, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2025, is amended to read as follows:


"*Low-speed electric bicycle*" means a device ~~having~~ equipped with a saddle or seat for the use of a rider, two or three wheels, ~~equipped with~~ fully operable pedals, and an electric motor ~~of less than that produces not more than seven hundred fifty watts that meets,~~ and is classified in accordance with the following requirements of one of the following classes:

Sec. 2. Section 321.1, subsection 51A, Code 2025, is amended to read as follows:

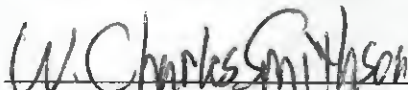
51A. "*Pedestrian conveyance*" means any human-powered device by which a pedestrian may move other than by walking or by which a pedestrian may move another person, including but not limited to a wheelchair, stroller, skateboard, scooter, or other similar device. "*Pedestrian conveyance*" also includes an electric personal assistive mobility device and any other device used to move a person sitting or standing on the device regardless of whether the device is powered by an electric

motor, so long as the electric motor produces ~~less~~ not more than seven hundred fifty watts. "Pedestrian conveyance" does not include a bicycle.

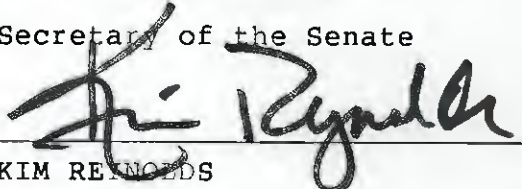
  
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AMY SINCLAIR  
President of the Senate

  
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PAT GRASSLEY  
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 490, Ninety-first General Assembly.

  
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W. CHARLES SMITHSON  
Secretary of the Senate

Approved Apr. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026

  
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KIM REYNOLDS  
Governor