



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

## Final Analysis

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### Am. S.B. 194

130th General Assembly  
(As Passed by the General Assembly)

**Sens.** Seitz, Eklund, Uecker, Manning, Bacon, Brown, Burke, Coley, Gardner, Hite, Hughes, Jones, Kearney, Lehner, Oelslager, Patton, Peterson, Sawyer, Tavares

**Reps.** Damschroder, Ruhl, Amstutz, Antonio, Beck, Blessing, Brenner, Brown, Budish, Derickson, DeVitis, Duffey, Green, Letson, Maag, Mallory, McClain, Milkovich, Patterson, Ramos, Retherford, Rogers, Sears, Sheehy, Strahorn, Terhar, Wachtmann, Young

**Effective date:** June 2, 2014

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## ACT SUMMARY

- Allows certain motor-driven cycles and motor scooters to be parked on a sidewalk so long as the vehicles do not impede the normal flow of pedestrian traffic.
- Permits a historical motor vehicle to be operated on public roads and highways to and from a location where maintenance is performed on the vehicle.

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## CONTENT AND OPERATION

### Parking motor-driven cycles and motor scooters on sidewalks

The act specifies that a person "shall be permitted, without charge or restriction," to stand or park on a sidewalk, any of the following vehicles: (1) a motor-driven cycle or motor scooter with an engine not larger than 150 cubic centimeters or (2) a bicycle. The motor-driven cycle, motor scooter, or bicycle may be parked on the sidewalk only if it does not impede the normal flow of pedestrian traffic.<sup>1</sup> The act specifies that its provisions do not authorize any person to drive a vehicle on a sidewalk, which generally is prohibited under continuing law for all vehicles other than bicycles.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> R.C. 4511.68(B).

<sup>2</sup> R.C. 4511.711, not in the act.

Under prior law, only bicycles were exempt from the general prohibition against standing or parking a vehicle on a sidewalk. The act retains the penalties associated with the general parking prohibitions established in continuing law. A violation of those prohibitions is a minor misdemeanor, but the offense may escalate based on prior specified traffic violations within one year.

## Operation of historical motor vehicles

The act permits a historical motor vehicle to be operated on public roads and highways to and from a location where maintenance is performed on the vehicle. Under continuing law, a historical motor vehicle is any motor vehicle that is more than 25 years old and that is owned solely as a collector's item and for participation in club activities, exhibitions, tours, parades, and similar uses, but not for general transportation.<sup>3</sup>

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## HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	09-19-13
Reported, S. Transportation	10-30-13
Passed Senate (33-0)	11-06-13
Reported, H. Transportation, Public Safety & Homeland Security	01-21-14
Passed House (95-0)	02-12-14
Senate concurred in House amendments (32-0)	02-19-14

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<sup>3</sup> R.C. 4503.181(A).

