

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 POLICY COMMITTEE
4 RECOMMENDATION

5 FOR

6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1957

7 By: Staires

8 POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

9 An Act relating to motor vehicles; requiring certain
10 vehicles be registered as a motor vehicle; stating
11 certain license endorsement not required; requiring
12 driver be of certain age; amending 47 O.S. 2021,
13 Section 11-805.1, which relates to low-speed electric
14 vehicles; requiring certain vehicles be in compliance
15 with certain national standards; requiring vehicle
16 identification number for certain operation;
17 authorizing Service Oklahoma to register and license
18 certain vehicles; authorizing Service Oklahoma to
19 promulgate certain rules; and providing an effective
20 date.

21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

22 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1112.4 of Title 47, unless there
24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. A street-legal, low-speed electrical vehicle or golf cart
operated on the streets and highways of this state shall be
registered as a motor vehicle.

1 B. The operator of a street-legal, low-speed electrical vehicle
2 or golf cart shall not be required to have an "M" endorsement on the
3 Class D license pursuant to Section 6-110.1 of Title 47 of the
4 Oklahoma Statutes. The operator shall be at least sixteen (16)
5 years of age and hold a valid Oklahoma driver license.

6 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2021, Section 11-805.1, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 Section 11-805.1. A. 1. No person shall operate any low-speed
9 electrical vehicle on any street or highway with a posted speed
10 limit greater than thirty-five (35) miles per hour.

11 2. Any low-speed electrical vehicle or golf cart shall be in
12 compliance with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
13 standards for low-speed vehicles in 49 C.F.R., Section 571.500, to
14 be operated on the road.

15 B. 1. If a golf cart is to be operated on any street or
16 highway with a posted speed limit no greater than thirty-five (35)
17 miles per hour, the golf cart shall have a vehicle identification
18 number.

19 2. Upon inspection by Service Oklahoma, a golf cart may be
20 registered as a motor vehicle and licensed through Service Oklahoma
21 if such golf cart has been converted into a street-legal vehicle
22 meeting all requirements in 49 C.F.R., Section 571.500, with the
23 exception that such golf cart shall not be required to have a
24 seventeen-digit vehicle identification number.

1 3. Service Oklahoma is authorized to promulgate rules for the
2 purposes of this act.

3 C. The provisions of subsection A of this section shall not
4 prohibit a low-speed vehicle from crossing a street or highway with
5 a posted speed limit greater than thirty-five (35) miles per hour.

6 ~~E.~~ D. This section shall not prevent a city from adopting any
7 ordinance that would further restrict low-speed electrical vehicles
8 from operating on certain city-owned streets in order to ensure the
9 public health and safety.

10 ~~D.~~ E. This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the
11 rules of the road as provided in Section 11-101 et seq. of ~~Title 47~~
12 ~~of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title.

13 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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