Nebraska Secretary of State  
Petition Sponsor Sworn Statement

Petition: Motorcycle Helmet Law  
(Brief description of petition for identification purposes)

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STATE OF NEBRASKA  
COUNTY OF Lancaster  

I hereby swear that this is a complete list containing the names and street addresses of every person, corporation, or association sponsoring the aforementioned petition.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 19 day of October 2021.

(Seal)

Signature of Sponsor

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 19 day of October 2021.

(Printed name of sponsor appearing before Notary)

Signature of Notary Public
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(6) Willful reckless driving in violation of any city or village ordinance or of section 60-6,214 or 60-6,217 - 6 points;

(7) Careless driving in violation of any city or village ordinance or of section 60-6,212 - 4 points;

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(16) A violation of subsection (1) of section 60-6,175 - 3 points; and

(17) All other traffic violations involving the operation of motor vehicles by the operator for which reports to the Department of Motor Vehicles are required under sections 60-497.01 and 60-497.02 - 1 point.

Subdivision (17) of this section does not include violations involving an occupant protection system or a three-point safety belt system pursuant to section 60-6,270; parking violations; violations for operating a motor vehicle without a valid operator's license in the operator's possession; muffler violations; overwidth, overheight, or overlength violations; motorcycle or moped eye protection violations; auticycle, motorcycle, or moped protective helmet violations; or overloading of trucks.
All such points shall be assessed against the driving record of the operator as of the date of the violation for which conviction was had. Points may be reduced by the department under section 60-4,188.

In all cases, the forfeiture of bail not vacated shall be regarded as equivalent to the conviction of the offense with which the operator was charged.

The point system shall not apply to persons convicted of traffic violations committed while operating a bicycle as defined in section 60-611 or an electric personal assistive mobility device as defined in section 60-618.02.

Sec. 2. Section 60-6,279, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

60-6,279 A person shall not operate a motorcycle or moped on any highway in this state unless such person is using eye protection. For purposes of this section, eye protection means glasses that cover the orbital region of a person's face, a protective face shield attached to a protective helmet, goggles, or a windshield on the motorcycle or moped that protects the operator's horizontal line of vision in all operating positions. (1) A person shall not operate or be a passenger in an autocycle described in subsection (2) of this section, on a motorcycle other than an autocycle, or on a moped on any highway in this state unless such person is wearing a protective helmet of the type and design manufactured for use by operators of such vehicles and unless such helmet is secured properly on his or her head with a chin strap while the vehicle is in motion. All such protective helmets shall be designed to reduce injuries to the user resulting from head impacts and shall be designed to protect the user by remaining on the user's head, deflecting blows, resisting penetration, and spreading the force of impact. Each such helmet shall consist of lining, padding, and chin strap and shall meet or exceed the standards established in the United States Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 218, 49 C.F.R. 571.218, for motorcycle helmets.

(2) This section applies to an autocycle that has a seating area that is not completely enclosed.

Sec. 3. Original sections 60-4,182 and 60-6,279, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.

Sec. 4. The following sections are outright repealed: Sections 60-6,278, 60-6,280, and 60-6,281, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

This section becomes operative on January 12, 2023.
The object of this petition is to: (See reverse side for actual text of measure)

Eliminate the helmet requirement for autocycles, motorcycles, and mopeds.

To the Honorable Robert Evnen, Secretary of State for the State of Nebraska:

We, the undersigned residents of the State of Nebraska and the county of ____________________, respectfully demand that the following proposed law shall be referred to the registered voters of the state for their approval or rejection at the general election to be held on the 8th day of November 2022, and each for himself or herself says: I have personally signed this petition on the date opposite my name; I am a registered voter of the State of Nebraska and county of ____________________, and am qualified to sign this petition or I will be so registered and qualified on or before the date on which this petition is required to be filed with the Secretary of State; and my printed name, date of birth, street and number or voting precinct, and city, village, or post office address are correctly written after my signature.

WARNING TO PETITION SIGNERS -- VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS OF LAW MAY RESULT IN THE FILING OF CRIMINAL CHARGES: Any person who signs any name other than his or her own to any petition or who is not qualified to sign the petition shall be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor. Any person who falsely swears to a circulator’s affidavit on a petition, who accepts money or other things of value for signing a petition, or who offers money or other things of value in exchange for a signature upon any petition shall be guilty of a Class IV felony.

__________________________________________________, (name of circulator) being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he or she is the circulator of this petition containing ______ signatures, that he or she is at least eighteen years of age, that each person whose name appears on the petition personally signed the petition in the presence of the affiant, that the date to the left of each signature is the correct date on which the signature was affixed to the petition and that the date was personally affixed by the person signing such petition, that the affiant believes that each signer has written his or her name, street and number or voting precinct, and city, village, or post office address correctly, that the affiant believes that each signer was qualified to sign the petition, and that the affiant stated to each signer the object of the petition as printed on the petition before he or she affixed his or her signature to the petition.

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Circulator
Address
City, State, Zip

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public, this ______ day of ______, 20____ at __________________, Nebraska.

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