## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2011

## SESSION LAW 2011-361 HOUSE BILL 113

AN ACT TO CREATE ADDITIONAL PROTECTIONS FOR MOTORCYCLISTS FROM UNSAFE MOVEMENTS BY OTHER VEHICLES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-154 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"'(a1) A person who violates subsection (a) of this section and causes a motorcycle operator to change travel lanes or leave that portion of any public street or highway designated as travel lanes shall be responsible for an infraction and shall be assessed a fine of not less than two hundred dollars (\$200.00). A person who violates subsection (a) of this section that results in a crash causing property damage or personal injury to a motorcycle operator or passenger shall be responsible for an infraction and shall be assessed a fine of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00)."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2011, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the  $17^{\text{th}}$  day of June, 2011.

- s/ Walter H. Dalton President of the Senate
- s/ Thom Tillis Speaker of the House of Representatives
- s/ Beverly E. Perdue Governor

Approved 12:31 p.m. this 27th day of June, 2011

