

BILL: AB 1569 (Davies, R-San Juan Capistrano)
Introduced January 12, 2026

SUBJECT: AB 1569 establishes a statewide requirement for kindergarten through 12th grade students to complete electric bicycle safety training as a condition of school-campus parking

STATUS: Pending in Assembly Committee on Education

SUMMARY AS OF MARCH 9, 2026:

AB 1569 establishes a statewide safety baseline for kindergarten through 12th grade (K-12) students who park class 1, 2, or 3 electric bicycles (e-bike) on school campuses. The bill is intended to promote safe riding practices and improve student awareness of traffic laws as youth e-bike usage increases statewide. Beginning in the 2027–28 school year, a local education agency (LEA), defined as a school district or county office of education, that allows e-bike parking on campus must require students to complete either the e-bike safety and training program developed by the California Highway Patrol or a related safety course prescribed by a local government or the local law enforcement agency with jurisdiction, if one is available. Students must submit proof of course completion to their school before being permitted to park an e-bike on campus. An LEA that has adopted an e-bike safety policy on or before January 1, 2027, are exempt from these requirements.

The bill does not establish penalties, fines, or a state enforcement mechanism. Compliance would instead be enforced administratively through each LEA’s authority to condition campus parking privileges.

EFFECTS ON ORANGE COUNTY:

AB 1569 aligns with the Orange County Transportation Authority’s (OCTA) ongoing efforts to improve safety outcomes for active transportation users, including youth e-bike riders.

Youth e-bike usage has increased throughout Orange County, particularly for school commuting. E-bikes enable higher speeds and longer travel distances than traditional bicycles, which may increase safety risks when operated without adequate training or understanding of traffic laws.

By establishing a statewide safety baseline, AB 1569 may:

- Promote consistent safety standards and messaging across school districts
- Improve student knowledge of traffic laws and safe riding practices
- Encourage early adoption of responsible operating behavior
- Reduce potential safety conflicts on school campuses and surrounding roadways

OCTA may have opportunities to coordinate public messaging, align safety education efforts, and support regional consistency through partnerships. A SUPPORT position is consistent with OCTA’s 2025–26 State Legislative Platform principle to “Seek funding and support policies and projects to increase safety requirements related to the utilization of electric bicycles.”

OCTA POSITION:

Staff recommends: SUPPORT

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 9, 2026

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE — 2025–26 regular session

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1569

Introduced by Assembly Members Davies and Chen

January 12, 2026

An act to add Article 9 (commencing with Section 49397) to Chapter 8 of Part 27 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Education Code, relating to pupil safety.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1569, as amended, Davies. Pupil safety: electric bicycle parking: safety program.

Existing law authorizes the governing board of any school district having jurisdiction over elementary, intermediate, junior high, or high school to provide time and facilities to local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the school of the district for bicycle, scooter, electric bicycle, motorized bicycle, or motorized scooter safety instruction. Existing law prohibits a person from driving or parking a vehicle or animal upon the driveways, paths, parking facilities, or grounds of specific public entities, including a public school or an educational institution exempted, in whole or in part, from taxation, except with the permission of, and subject to any condition or regulation that may be imposed by, the governing body of the specified public entity. Existing law authorizes a public agency to adopt rules or regulations to restrict, or specify the conditions for, the use of bicycles, motorized bicycles, electric bicycles, skateboards, electrically motorized boards, and roller skates on public property under the jurisdiction of that agency.

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This bill would require each *school district and county office of education* that allows pupils in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, to park a class 1, 2, or 3 electric bicycle, as defined, on campus ~~during regular school hours~~ to require pupils to complete the electric bicycle safety and training program developed by the Department of the California Highway Patrol, as provided, or a related safety course, as specified, as a condition for parking on campus. The bill would also require a pupil to submit proof of completion of the above-described course to their school before parking their class 1, 2, or 3 electric bicycle on the school ~~campus during school hours~~ campus. The bill would exempt ~~schools~~ *school districts and county offices of education* that adopted a policy related to electric bicycle safety, on or before January 1, 2027, from the above-described requirements.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

~~1 SECTION 1. Article 9 (commencing with Section 49397) is
2 added to Chapter 9 of Part 27 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the
3 Education Code, to read:~~

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6 Education Code to read:*

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Article 9. Electric Bicycle Safety

10 49397. (a) Commencing with the 2027–28 school year, a
11 ~~school~~ *local educational agency* that allows pupils in kindergarten
12 or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, to park a class 1, 2, or 3 electric
13 bicycle on campus ~~during regular school hours~~ shall require pupils
14 to complete the electric bicycle safety and training program
15 developed by the Department of the California Highway Patrol
16 pursuant to Section 894 of the Streets and Highway Code, or a
17 related safety course, if one is available, as prescribed by *a local
18 government or the local law enforcement authority* having
19 jurisdiction over the school, as a condition for parking on campus.

20 (b) A pupil shall submit proof of completion from one of the
21 prescribed courses described in subdivision (a) to their school

1 before parking their class 1, 2, or 3 electric bicycle on the school
2 ~~campus during regular school hours.~~ *campus.*

3 (c) A ~~school~~ *local educational agency* that has adopted a policy.
4 related to electric bicycle safety on or before January 1, 2027, shall
5 be exempt from the requirements of this section.

6 (d) For purposes of this section, ~~class~~ *the following definitions*
7 *apply:*

8 (1) "Class 1 electric bicycle," "class 2 electric bicycle," and
9 "class 3 electric bicycle" shall have the same meanings as
10 prescribed in Section 312.5 of the Vehicle Code.

11 (2) "*Local educational agency*" means a school district or
county office of education