

1 **SECTION 4.** G.S. 20-51 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

2 "(14) Electric personal assistive mobility devices as defined in G.S.
3 20-4.01(7a)."

4 **SECTION 5.** Article 3 of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes is amended by
5 adding a new Part to read:

6 "Part 11C. Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Devices.

7 "**§ 20-175.6. Electric personal assistive mobility devices.**

8 (a) Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Device. – As defined in G.S.
9 20-4.01(7a).

10 (b) Exempt From Registration. – As provided in G.S. 20-51.

11 (c) Use of Device. – An electric personal assistive mobility device may be
12 operated on public highways with posted speeds of 25 miles per hour or less, sidewalks,
13 and bicycle paths. A person operating an electric personal assistive mobility device on a
14 sidewalk, roadway, or bicycle path shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and other
15 human-powered devices. A person operating an electric personal assistive mobility
16 device shall have all rights and duties of a pedestrian."

17 **SECTION 6.** This act is effective when it becomes law.