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Law agrees bicycles on Commercial St. may go against traffic

The Attorney General of the Commonwealth of MA approved "an act relative to the operation of bicycles on Commercial Street...." Voters accepted the act; so bicycles on Commercial St. can go against (as well as with) the traffic. This is an example of the fact that Provincetown is governed to a large extent by state-enacted legislation. (Ferguson)

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Notes

An act relative to the operation of bicycles on Commercial Street, a public way within the Town of Provincetown (Acts of 1977, c. 419, approved 13 July). Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section eleven B of chapter eighty-five of the General Laws or any other law to the contrary, the town of Provincetown is hereby authorized to adopt rules providing for the operation of bicycle traffic on Commercial street in said town relative to the direction of travel and passing on said street.

Section 2. This act shall be submitted for acceptance to the voters of said town at its next annual or special town meeting in the form of the following question, which shall be placed on the official ballot to be used at said meeting: "Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and seventy-seven, entitled 'An Act relative to the operation of bicycles on Commercial Street, a public way within the town of Provincetown', be accepted?" If a majority of the votes in answer to said question is in the affirmative, then this act shall thereupon take full effect, but not otherwise.