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## **Proposed Tariff on Electric Bicycles Could Hinder Accessibility of Bikeshare, Says North American Bikeshare Association**

- *Industry association submitted official comment to Office of United States Trade Representative today*
- *Organization offers insight into 25 percent tariff, shares its full comment letter*

NORTH AMERICA, July 23, 2018 — In response to the proposed 25 percent tariff on the import of electric bicycles and motors from China under the ongoing [Section 301 investigation](#), the [North American Bikeshare Association \(NABSA\)](#) submitted comments today to the Office of United States Trade Representative detailing the tariff's potential hindrance on the industry.

"We in the bikeshare industry know that electric bicycle innovation is a fast-growing trend and a cornerstone of the bikeshare future. Already in 2018, we have over 4,000 e-bikeshare bikes in US fleets, another 400 across North America, and counting," says NABSA Executive Director Samantha Herr. "A price increase would make electric bikeshare equipment significantly more expensive, hindering the industry's growing e-bike trend, and the accessibility of bikeshare for all."

To learn more about NABSA's position on the proposed 25 percent tariff and to read the official letter, [please click here](#).

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**NORTH AMERICAN BIKESHARE ASSOCIATION:** Founded in 2014, [NABSA](#) is the member-driven non-profit organization of and for the bike-sharing industry in North America. NABSA's mission is to provide support for the bikeshare community and accelerate the growth of bikeshare systems across North America and the world.