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2 Introduced by Representatives Grad of Moretown, Donaghy of Poultney, Fay
3 of St. Johnsbury, Lippert of Hinesburg, Marek of Newfane,
4 Potter of Clarendon, Strong of Albany, Waite-Simpson of
5 Essex, and Wizowaty of Burlington

6 Referred to Committee on

7 Date:

8 Subject: Motor vehicles; seat belt requirements; primary enforcement

9 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to authorize
10 primary enforcement of the seat belt law for adults.

11 An act relating to primary seat belt enforcement

12 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

13 Sec. 1. 23 V.S.A. § 1259 is amended to read:

14 § 1259. SAFETY BELTS; PERSONS AGE 18 AND OVER

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16 (e) ~~This section may be enforced only if a law enforcement officer has~~
17 ~~detained the operator of a motor vehicle for a suspected violation of another~~
18 ~~traffic offense. An operator shall not be subject to the penalty established in~~
19 ~~this section unless the operator is required to pay a penalty for the primary~~
20 ~~offense.~~ [Repealed.]

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2 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

3 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.