

H.358

Introduced by Representative Martin of Wolcott

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Automobile insurance; self-insurance; bonds

Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to allow organizations to post a bond on behalf of the owner of a vehicle for the purpose of automobile self-insurance.

An act relating to automobile self-insurance

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

Sec. 1. 23 V.S.A. § 800(a) is amended to read:

(a) No owner or operator of a motor vehicle required to be licensed shall operate or permit the operation of the vehicle upon the highways of the state without having in effect an automobile liability policy or bond in the amounts of at least \$25,000.00 for one person and \$50,000.00 for two or more persons killed or injured and \$10,000.00 for damages to property in any one accident. In lieu thereof, evidence of self-insurance in the amount of \$115,000.00 must be filed with the commissioner of motor vehicles. This provision shall permit an organization to post a bond on behalf of an owner of a motor vehicle who chooses to self-insure. Such financial responsibility shall be maintained and

1 evidenced in a form prescribed by the commissioner. The commissioner may
2 require that evidence of financial responsibility be produced before motor
3 vehicle inspections are performed pursuant to the requirements of section 1222
4 of this title.