

1 H.460

2 Introduced by Representatives Donahue of Northfield and Grad of Moretown

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Motor vehicles; registration; road test; motorized cycles; motor

6 scooters; mopeds

7 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to direct the commissioner of motor

8 vehicles to adopt rules which implement a tiered system for registering and

9 road testing operators of motor scooters and mopeds.

10 An act directing the commissioner of motor vehicles to adopt rules
11 establishing a tiered system for road testing the operation and registration of
12 motorized cycles

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

14 Sec. 1. STATEMENT OF INTENT

15 It is the intention of the general assembly to encourage energy efficient
16 transportation and to maximize the accessibility and affordability of the
17 operation of motor scooters and mopeds.

18 Sec. 2. 23 V S.A. § 4(81) is added to read:

19 (81) "Motor scooter" means a motorcycle with an automatic
20 transmission and with a motor that produces not more than five brake

1 horsepower, or that has a cylinder capacity not exceeding 125 cubic
2 centimeters.

3 Sec. 3. ADMINISTRATIVE RULES ON THE OPERATOR LICENSING
4 AND VEHICLE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR
5 MOTOR SCOOTERS AND MOPEDS

6 The commissioner of motor vehicles is directed to adopt rules that
7 progressively reduce the registration costs and road-testing requirements for
8 the operation of motor scooters and mopeds based on the complexity of
9 operation, vehicle size, and authorized maximum speed. Prior to the
10 submission of these proposed rules to the legislative committee on
11 administrative rules, and no later than February 1, 2011, the commissioner
12 shall obtain the approval of the house and senate committees on transportation.