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H.172

Introduced by Representative O’Sullivan of Burlington

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Highways; motor vehicles; studded snow tires

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to prohibit, with certain exceptions, operation of vehicles equipped with studded snow tires on Vermont highways other than from November 20 to April 20.

An act relating to operation on highways with studded snow tires

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

Sec. 1. 23 V.S.A. § 1092 is amended to read:

§ 1092. DAMAGING SURFACE OF ROAD

(a) ~~No~~ Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a person may
shall not operate or move upon or over any highway or bridge a vehicle,
machine, or contrivance;

(1) which has any flange, ribs, clamps, or other object attached to or
made a part of; its wheels which will injure, cut into, or destroy the surface of
the highway or bridge to any appreciable extent; or

1 ~~(2) This provision does not restrict the right of any person to use with~~
2 ~~tires which are equipped with “studs” or “cleats,” so-called,~~ studs or cleats of a
3 type designed for general use to facilitate travel in winter.

4 (b) The prohibition of subdivision (a)(2) of this section shall not apply:

5 (1) from November 20 to April 20;

6 (2) to vehicles not registered or required to be registered in Vermont;

7 (3) to farm tractors; or

8 (4) to authorized emergency vehicles.

9 (c) In addition to any liability for damage otherwise provided by law, a
10 person who violates subdivision (a)(2) of this section shall be subject to:

11 (1) a warning for a first violation; and

12 (2) a fine of not less than \$100.00 for a second or subsequent violation.

13 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

14 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.