

We are writing in support of S.66. S.66 provides a reasonable and simple way to address two of the worst transportation noise problems in Vermont: unmuffled motorcycles and jake brakes.

As residents along a primary road into a traditional, peaceful Vermont village, we can testify to the impact these unmuffled vehicles have on our quality of life. They unnecessarily degrade the environment, causing sleep loss, conversation and activity interference, and stressful aggravation.

S.66 provides for a very simple and inexpensive means to eliminate these two problems. Motorcycle mufflers are already required by federal law to prominently display label showing they meet the EPA requirements for noise. Visual inspection for this label is simple, both roadside and at inspection stations. Similarly, visual inspection of exhaust systems can eliminate the worst offenders, strait pipes and unmuffled jake brakes.

We encourage you to **pass S.66** to help preserve the quality of life in our historic Vermont villages.

Sincerely,

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