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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Introduced By: Representatives MacBeth, McLaughlin, Ackerman, and Phillips

Date Introduced: February 14, 2013

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 31-3-2.2 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-3 entitled "Registration  
2 of Vehicles" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 ~~31-3-2.2. Registration of motorcycles, motorized bicycles, and motorized tricycles. --~~

4 **Registration of motorcycles, motorized bicycles, motorized tricycles and all-terrain vehicles.**

5 ~~--~~ (a) Every motorcycle, motorized bicycle, ~~and~~ motorized tricycle and all-terrain vehicles (ATV)  
6 owned by a resident of this state shall be subject to the registration provisions of chapters 3 -- 9 of  
7 this title whether the motorcycle, motorized bicycle, ~~or~~ motorized tricycle or all-terrain vehicles  
8 (ATVs) is operated or drawn upon a highway within this state or upon private property. As used  
9 in this section, an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) means a vehicle that travels on low-pressure tires,  
10 with a seat that is straddled by the operator, along with handlebars for steering control. An  
11 electric personal assistive mobility device ("EPAMD") and electric motorized bicycles shall not  
12 be required to register under this chapter; provided, however, that an EPAMD and/or electric  
13 motorized bicycles shall not be operated in this state by a person under the age of sixteen (16)  
14 years.

15 (b) Notwithstanding any general law to the contrary, cities and towns are empowered to  
16 enact ordinances that permit the use and regulation of electric personal assistive mobility devices  
17 ("EPAMD").

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would subject all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) to the same registration requirements  
2 as motorcycles, motorized bicycles and motorized tricycles.

3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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