

1 S.62

2 Introduced by Senators White and Shumlin

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Motor vehicles; mopeds; foot pedals

6 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to amend the definition of “moped”

7 in the motor vehicle statutes to include vehicles that do not have foot pedals.

8 An act relating to mopeds

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

10 Sec. 1. 23 V.S.A. § 4 is amended to read:

11 § 4. DEFINITIONS

12 Except as may be otherwise provided herein, and unless the context  
13 otherwise requires in statutes relating to motor vehicles and enforcement of the  
14 law regulating vehicles, as provided in this title and part 5 of Title 20, the  
15 following definitions shall apply:

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17 (45) “Moped” means a motor driven cycle equipped with two or three  
18 wheels, with or without foot pedals to permit muscular propulsion, a power  
19 source providing up to a maximum of two brake horsepower and having a  
20 maximum piston or rotor displacement of 50 cubic centimeters if a combustion

1 engine is used, which will propel the vehicle, unassisted, at a speed not to  
2 exceed 30 miles per hour on a level road surface, and which is equipped with a  
3 power drive system that functions directly or automatically only, not requiring  
4 clutching or shifting by the operator after the drive system is engaged. As  
5 motor vehicles, mopeds shall be subject to the purchase and use tax imposed  
6 under chapter 219 of Title 32 rather than to a general sales tax. An electric  
7 personal assistive mobility device is not a moped.

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