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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Introduced By: Representatives MacBeth, McLaughlin, and Dickinson

Date Introduced: January 30, 2014

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

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

3 <u>31-3-2.2. Registration of motorcycles, motorized bicycles, and motorized tricycles. --</u>

<u>Registration of motorcycles, motorized bicycles, motorized tricycles and all-terrain vehicles.</u>
 <u>--</u> (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

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.

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

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.



EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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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. This section would also clearly 3 define an all-terrain vehicle (ATV).

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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