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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 108

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**"AN ACT CONCERNING REGISTRATION AND USE OF CERTAIN  
LOW-SPEED NEIGHBORHOOD VEHICLES."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 14-1 of the 2014 supplement to  
4 the general statutes is amended by adding subdivision (103) as follows  
5 (*Effective January 1, 2016*):

6 (NEW) (103) "Neighborhood electric vehicle" means a four-wheel,  
7 self-propelled, electrically powered motor vehicle designed for  
8 conveyance of passengers, that has an attainable speed of not less than  
9 twenty miles per hour and not more than twenty-five miles per hour  
10 on a paved, level surface and that conforms with standards adopted  
11 for low-speed vehicles by the National Highway Traffic Safety  
12 Administration, in accordance with 49 CFR 571.500, as amended from  
13 time to time.

14       Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2016*) (a) The Commissioner of  
15 Motor Vehicles may, on application in accordance with the provisions  
16 of section 14-12 of the general statutes and subject to the financial  
17 responsibility provisions of section 14-112 of the general statutes, issue  
18 a certificate of registration and marker plates to the owner or lessee of  
19 a neighborhood electric vehicle, as defined in section 14-1 of the  
20 general statutes, as amended by this act. The applicant shall pay the fee  
21 required under subsection (f) of section 14-49 of the general statutes.  
22 Such owner or lessee shall carry such registration and proof of  
23 financial responsibility in the vehicle and display marker plates as  
24 required by section 14-18 of the general statutes. The commissioner  
25 shall issue a certificate of title, pursuant to the provisions of chapter  
26 247 of the general statutes, for each vehicle that has been issued a  
27 manufacturer's or importer's certificate of origin and vehicle  
28 identification number.

29       (b) No individual may operate a neighborhood electric vehicle  
30 unless (1) the individual carries a valid motor vehicle operator's license  
31 or learner's permit, (2) a certificate of registration and automobile  
32 insurance identification card for the vehicle are carried in the motor  
33 vehicle and marker plates are displayed in accordance with the  
34 provisions of section 14-18 of the general statutes, and (3) such vehicle  
35 is equipped in accordance with the requirements of part V of chapter  
36 246 of the general statutes, except insofar as any requirement of part V  
37 of chapter 246 of the general statutes is inapplicable to or inconsistent  
38 with the design and equipment standards for low-speed vehicles, as  
39 adopted by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in  
40 accordance with 49 CFR 571.500, as amended from time to time.

41       (c) A neighborhood electric vehicle may be operated on a highway  
42 only if such highway has an established speed limit of not more than  
43 thirty-five miles per hour. This section shall not prohibit an individual  
44 from operating a neighborhood electric vehicle across an intersection  
45 with a highway that has an established speed limit of more than thirty-  
46 five miles per hour."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2016</i>	14-1(a)
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2016</i>	New section