2015 HOUSE TRANSPORTATION

HB 1331

2015 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Transportation Committee

Fort Totten Room, State Capitol

HB 1331 1/22/2015 #22358

□ Subcommittee Conference Committee

Committee Clerk Signature

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A bill relating to headlamps on motorcycles.

Minutes:

Chairman Dan Ruby opened the hearing on HB 1331.

Representative Kretschmar, District 28, introduced HB 1331. He introduced this bill on behalf of a constituent in his district who was in a situation where he thought that motorcycles should have their headlights on at all times. I am told that modern motorcycles always do have their headlights on. I didn't find anything in statute that requires motorcycle headlamps to always be on. This bill requires motorcycles to have their headlamps to be on at all times.

Chairman Dan Ruby: The constituent may have seen some problems with older motorcycles or custom motorcycles that don't have headlight on. Do they think it should be law?

Representative Kretschmar: Yes.

Representative Ben Hanson: In line 12 what about the crossed out line about tractors?

Representative Kretschmar: On line 12 the crossed out line was changed by Council to change the wording to comply with their form and style requirements. It is nothing new.

There was no further support for HB 1331. There was no opposition to HB 1331.

The hearing was closed on HB 1331.

Representative Chris Olson: I think is another example of something that is a common sense issue. I ride motorcycle, and don't think that I should be compelled to turn my headlight on by law. I believe that it is unnecessary.

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Representative Chris Olson moved a DO NOT PASS on HB 1331. Vice Chairman Lisa Meier seconded the motion.

Chairman Dan Ruby: I ride motorcycle, and the main headlight is on all the time. I want to make sure that people see me as much as possible. Since I do that for myself, I don't necessarily think that everyone else needs to do it.

Representative Robin Weisz: The problem may be with some dirt bikes that headlights don't come on automatically.

There was no further discussion.

A roll call vote was taken. Aye 12 Nay 1 Absent 1 The motion carried. Vice Chairman Lisa Meier will carry HB 1331.

2015 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE **ROLL CALL VOTES BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1331**

House	Transpo	rtation			Committee
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Amendme	ent LC# or	Description:			
Recomme	endation:	🗆 Adopt Ame	endment		
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Other Act	ions:	Reconside	r		

Motion Made By Representative Chris Olson Seconded By Vice Chairman Lisa Meier

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(Yes) 12 No 1 Total

Absent

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Floor Assignment Vice Chairman Lisa Meier

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1331: Transportation Committee (Rep. Ruby, Chairman) recommends DO NOT PASS (12 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1331 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

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