

# Bill as Introduced

HB 399 - AS INTRODUCED

2011 SESSION

11-0563

03/04

HOUSE BILL           **399**

AN ACT               relative to nonresident registration of motor vehicles.

SPONSORS:           Rep. Major, Rock 8

COMMITTEE:          Transportation

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ANALYSIS

This bill limits nonresident registration of motor vehicles to vehicles garaged exclusively in this state.

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Explanation:        Matter added to current law appears in *bold italics*.  
                      Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]  
                      Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eleven*

AN ACT           relative to nonresident registration of motor vehicles.

*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1           1 Nonresident Registration. Amend RSA 261:46 to read as follows:

2           261:46 Nonresident Registration. Notwithstanding RSA 261:45, a nonresident who garages a  
3 vehicle [~~primarily~~] **exclusively** in this state may register such vehicle in this state as a nonresident.  
4 [~~A vehicle is garaged primarily in this state if it is garaged in this state for at least 350 days of the~~  
5 ~~registration year.~~] No exemption from the payment of a permit fee shall be granted by reason of  
6 nonresidence except by the director, who shall in all cases require proof satisfactory to him or her of  
7 residence elsewhere, and of the liability of a nonresident owner, otherwise entitled to such  
8 exemption, to pay a property tax on the vehicle for the current year in the state of his or her  
9 residence.

10          2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

# Hearing Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
PUBLIC HEARING ON HB-399

BILL TITLE: Relative to Nonresident registration of Motor Vehicles

DATE: 2/8/11

LOB ROOM: 203 Time Public Hearing Called to Order: 2:25

Time Adjourned: 2:52

(please circle if present)

Committee Members: Reps. Packard, Hikel, Hinch, Tholl, Coughlin, Dwinnell, Hogan, Jones, Lindsley, Marcus, Reed, Seontsas, Rhodes, Williams, Cloutier, Clagnon and Hawkes.

Bill Sponsors: Rep. Major, Rock 8

TESTIMONY

\*Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

Rep. Major, Prime Sponsor introduced the bill

Debra Cornett NH City & Town clerks assn. Supports the bill. opens a loophole to allow the person to commit fraud both in NH and their home state. Those that commit fraud are costing all of us in higher insurance rates and investigation costs.

Nancy Johnson NH City & Town Clerks Assn. supports the bill Numerous questions about how to verify. They are getting a pretty good deal by allowing Nonresident registration and the town s also benefit.

Respectfully submitted

  
John E. Tholl Jr.  
Clerk

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# Voting Sheets

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 399

BILL TITLE: relative to nonresident registration of motor vehicles.

DATE: February 16, 2011

LOB ROOM: 203

Amendments:

Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:

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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Cloutier

Seconded by Rep. Hinch

Vote: 13-2 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: 15-0

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. John Tholl, Clerk



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Moved by Rep. *@Lortier*

Seconded by Rep. *Hirsh*

Vote: *13-2* (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE:

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: *15-0* Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. *[Signature]* John Tholl, Clerk

TRANSPORTATION

Bill #: HB 399 Title: relative to non-resident registration of motor vehicles.

PH Date: 2/8/11

Exec Session Date: 2/16/11

Motion: OTP

Amendment #: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBER	YEAS	NAYS
Packard, Sherman A, Chairman		✓
Hikel, John A, V Chairman	✓	
Hinch, Richard W	✓	
Tholl, John E	✓	
Coughlin, Sean E		
Dwinell, Richard J	✓	
Hogan, Timothy <i>M QUANT</i>	✓	
Jones, Kyle D	✓	
Lindsley, Mark H	✓	
Marcus, Bruce <i>S JASPER</i>		✓
Reed, Michael T <i>M Jillema</i>	✓	
Scoutas, Lisa E <i>DJ Better awt.</i>	✓	
Rhodes, Brian D		
Williams, Robert W	✓	
Cloutier, John R	✓	
Gagnon, Raymond G	✓	
Hawkes, Samuel L	✓	

TOTAL VOTE: 13-2

# Committee Report

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**February 17, 2011**

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE**

The Committee on TRANSPORTATION to which was referred HB399,

AN ACT relative to nonresident registration of motor vehicles. Having considered the same, report the same with the recommendation that the bill OUGHT TO PASS.

**Rep. John R Cloutier**

**FOR THE COMMITTEE**

## COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>
Bill Number:	<b>HB399</b>
Title:	<b>relative to nonresident registration of motor vehicles.</b>
Date:	<b>February 17, 2011</b>
Consent Calendar:	<b>YES</b>
Recommendation:	<b>OUGHT TO PASS</b>

### STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill would allow nonresidents who exclusively "garage" or keep their vehicles in New Hampshire to register their vehicles in our state as a nonresident. This bill amends present law which states that nonresidents could register their vehicles in the state as nonresidents if they garaged or kept their vehicles primarily in New Hampshire for at least 350 days per year. Testimony was given at the bill's public hearing that many of our state's city and town clerks believe that present law is unenforceable and costs our municipalities the loss of revenue from uncollected fees. Thus, the city and town clerks support passage of this bill.

Vote 13-2.

Rep. John R Cloutier  
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk  
Cc: Committee Bill File

## CONSENT CALENDAR

### TRANSPORTATION

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COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Transportation

BILL NUMBER: HB 399

TITLE: relative to non-resident registration of motor vehicles


DATE: 2/14/11 CONSENT CALENDAR: YES  NO

- OUGHT TO PASS
- OUGHT TO PASS W/ AMENDMENT
- INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE
- INTERIM STUDY (Available only 2<sup>nd</sup> year of biennium)

Amendment No.
<u>N/A</u>

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COMMITTEE VOTE: 13-2 

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

- Copy to Committee Bill File
- Use Another Report for Minority Report

Rep. John B. Clonker  
For the Committee

Blurbs

HB 399 relative to nonresident registration of motor vehicles.

OTP 13-2 CC

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Rep. Cloutier

