

**SB 1532 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**  
**Senate Committee On Business and Transportation**

**Carrier:** Sen. Johnson

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**Action Date:** 02/07/18  
**Action:** Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)  
**Vote:** 4-0-1-0  
**Yeas:** 4 - Beyer, Monroe, Riley, Thomsen  
**Exc:** 1 - Girod  
**Fiscal:** No fiscal impact  
**Revenue:** No revenue impact  
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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Modifies the definition of “motor assisted scooter” to include vehicles with four wheels and to remove reference to handlebars.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Stability of four-wheeled, motor assisted scooter
- Specified limitations of operating a motor assisted scooter

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

Removes the word “handlebars” from the definition of motor assisted scooter. Specifies that the person operating the motor assisted scooter must have full control of the vehicle at all times.

**BACKGROUND:**

Current statute defines a motor assisted scooter as being designed to operate on the ground with not more than three wheels and having handlebars for the operator’s use. Four-wheeled, motor assisted scooters may alleviate a user’s concern of operating a motor assisted scooter on steep inclines and curb cut-outs by offering a more stable platform.

Senate Bill 1532-A modifies the definition of “motor assisted scooter” to allow for the design to include up to four wheels and to remove reference to handlebars.