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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill defines a "low-speed vehicle" as an electric-powered vehicle with a maximum speed of 20 to 25 miles per hour. It applies vehicle registration, registration tax, and title requirements to low-speed vehicles, and allows their operation on public roads and highways that have a speed limit of 35 miles per hour or less.

#### Section

- 1 Passenger automobile.** Includes low-speed vehicles in the definition of "passenger automobile." Currently, passenger automobiles must be registered and are subject to the registration tax.
- 2 Low-speed vehicle.** Defines "low-speed vehicle" as an electric-powered passenger vehicle with four wheels and a maximum speed of between 20 and 25 miles per hour.
- 3 Low-speed vehicle; certificate required.** Prevents the registrar of motor vehicles from issuing a title for a low-speed vehicle if it does not have (1) a vehicle identification number, or (2) a manufacturer's certificate of origin identifying it as a low-speed vehicle.
- 4 Low-speed vehicles.** Allows low-speed vehicles to be operated on public streets or highways that have a speed limit of 35 miles per hour or less, if the vehicle meets federal equipment standards (including headlamps, taillamps, brake lights, a seat belt, and a vehicle identification number). A road authority may further restrict its operation.
- 5 Displaying emblem; rules.** Requires that low-speed vehicles display a triangular slow-moving vehicle emblem.