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Document Name	DMV , Align dealer electronic registration submission requirements with existing statute. [1 of 11]
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Naming Format: AGENCY ACRONYM PROPOSAL NUMBER - TOPIC

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Legislative Liaison	Jim Polites W: 860-263-5026; C: 860-754-8660 E: james.polites@ct.gov
DMV Division Requesting This Proposal	Vehicle Business Regulation Division (VBR)
Drafter(s)	Audrey Hall; Janice Corps; Chris Pizzi

Title of Proposal	Online Registration Requirements by Certain Entities
Statutory Reference, if any	Section 14-15d of the Connecticut General Statutes Section 14-61(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes
Brief Summary and Statement of Purpose	This proposal seeks to give the commissioner the authority to require entities (including dealers) that file five (5) or more applications per month to file such applications electronically. Currently, section 14-61(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes (revised by PA 23-40, Sec. 23) includes this authority. This proposed revision will align 14-15d with the existing standard that appears in 14-61(b).

SECTION-BY-SECTION SUMMARY

Summarize sections in groups where appropriate



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BACKGROUND

Origin of Proposal New Proposal Resubmission

If this is a resubmission, please share the prior bill number, the reason the bill did not move forward, and any changes made or conversations had since it was last proposed:

Please consider the following, if applicable:

How does this proposal connect to the 10-year vision for the agency’s mission?	
How will we measure if the proposal successfully accomplishes its goals?	Feedback from the Connecticut Automotive Retailers Association (CARA)
Have there been changes in federal/state laws or regulations that make this legislation necessary?	No
Has this proposal or a similar proposal been	Based on VBR’s research, other states have allowed dealers to electronically file applications to reduce the amount of customer traffic going into their branches. Neighboring states larger than Connecticut



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implemented in other states? If yes, to what result?	have lowered the average number of filed applications to three (3) or more as a qualifying factor for online registration access.
Have certain constituencies called for this proposal?	The Connecticut Automotive Retailers Association (CARA) has requested this proposal.

INTERAGENCY IMPACT

List each affected agency. Copy the table as needed.

[X] Check here if this proposal does NOT impact other agencies

1. Agency Name	
Agency Contact (name, title)	
Date Contacted	
Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Talks Ongoing
Open Issues, if any	

FISCAL IMPACT

Include the section number(s) responsible for the fiscal impact and the anticipated impact

[X] Check here if this proposal does NOT have a fiscal impact

State	
Municipal (Include any municipal mandate that can be found within legislation)	



Federal	
Additional notes	

MONITORING & EVALUATION PLAN

If applicable, please describe the anticipated measurable outcomes and the data that will be used to track those outcomes. Include the section number(s) responsible for those outcomes

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ANYTHING ELSE WE SHOULD KNOW?

FULLY DRAFTED BILL TO BE INSERTED HERE

Sec. 1. Section 14-15d. of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may require any person, firm or corporation, who in the opinion of the commissioner is qualified and who is engaged in the business of filing applications for the issuance of a certificate of registration or a certificate of title for motor vehicles with the Department of Motor Vehicles, to file such applications electronically if the commissioner



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determines that such person, firm or corporation files, on average, **[seven] five** or more such applications each month. A qualified person, firm or corporation shall, not later than ten days after the electronic issuance of such registration, submit to the commissioner an application together with all necessary documents required to register the vehicle with the department. Any such person, firm or corporation that fails or refuses to file such application electronically upon the request of the commissioner shall pay a twenty-five-dollar fee to the commissioner for each application submitted. The commissioner shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to implement the provisions of this section.



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Document Name	DMV, Driving school instructor requirements [2 of 11]
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DMV Division Requesting This Proposal	Driver Regulations – Driver Education and Testing Unit (DETU)
Drafter(s)	Cindy Zuerblis

Title of Proposal	Revisions to Instructor’s and Master Instructor’s Licenses
Statutory Reference, if any	Section 14-73 of the Connecticut General Statutes
Brief Summary and Statement of Purpose	The purpose of this proposal is to strengthen background checks on Connecticut licensed driving and master instructors and require a fingerprint background check upon renewal of their instructor’s licenses. These individuals teach children driving lessons, and currently, if a licensed instructor is arrested outside of Connecticut, DMV has no way of knowing unless the instructor informs the agency. This proposal will ensure the agency is notified of any arrest involving a licensed instructor regardless of where the arrest occurs.

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Summarize sections in groups where appropriate



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This proposal also requires driving schools to ensure that its instructors comply with all laws pertaining to its business, including the addition that instructors/master instructors are required to wear identification bearing their photographs and license numbers when providing classroom and behind-the-wheel instruction(s).

Furthermore, this proposal seeks to assess a civil penalty against an instructor who has not renewed his/her license within sixty (60) days but who has continued to teach students driving instruction, for compensation, and subsequently applies for a new instructor’s license.

This proposal also seeks to impose a civil penalty against an individual who does not hold an instructor’s license/master instructor’s license, but engages in the business of providing driving instruction.

BACKGROUND

Origin of Proposal New Proposal Resubmission

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Please consider the following, if applicable:

How does this proposal connect to the 10-year vision for the agency’s mission?	This proposal promotes public safety as it will not allow unlicensed individuals to instruct students in driving lessons without having the proper credentials.
How will we measure if the proposal successfully accomplishes its goals?	The measurement if this proposal successfully accomplishes its goal can be the number of individuals who did not review their licenses and determining (through the renewal process) whether such individuals are still providing driving instruction. This will help to encourage current instructors to renew their licenses on time.
Have there been changes in federal/state laws or regulations that	No



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make this legislation necessary?	
Has this proposal or a similar proposal been implemented in other states? If yes, to what result?	DETU is not aware of any.
Have certain constituencies called for this proposal?	No; however, this proposal protects the general public from doing business with an unlicensed instructor.

INTERAGENCY IMPACT

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Agency Contact (name, title)	
Date Contacted	
Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Talks Ongoing
Open Issues, if any	

FISCAL IMPACT

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MONITORING & EVALUATION PLAN

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ANYTHING ELSE WE SHOULD KNOW?

FULLY DRAFTED BILL TO BE INSERTED HERE



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Section 1. Sec. 14-73 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof: (a) No person shall be employed by a drivers' school to give instruction in driving a motor vehicle unless such person is licensed to act as an instructor or master instructor by the commissioner. A drivers' school shall ensure that any instructor or master instructor that it employs complies with all laws that pertain to such drivers' school business.

(b) Application for an instructor's license or a master instructor's license shall be in writing and shall contain such information as the commissioner requires. Each applicant for [a] an instructor's license or a master instructor's license, or for any renewal thereof, shall be fingerprinted and shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that such applicant: (1) Is of good moral character considering such person's state and national criminal history records checks conducted in accordance with section 29-17a, and record, if any, on the state child abuse and neglect registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k. If any applicant for a license or the renewal of a license has a criminal record or is listed on the state child abuse and neglect registry, the commissioner shall make a determination of whether to issue or renew an instructor's license or master instructor's license in accordance with the standards and procedures set forth in section 14-44 and the regulations adopted pursuant to said section; (2) has held a license to drive a motor vehicle for the past five consecutive years and has a driving record satisfactory to the commissioner, including no record of a conviction or administrative license suspension for a drug or alcohol-related offense during such five-year period; (3) has passed a physical examination, administered not more than ninety days prior to the date of application, by a physician, physician assistant or an advanced practice registered nurse licensed to practice within the state and the physician, physician assistant or advanced practice registered nurse certifies that the applicant is physically fit to operate a motor vehicle and provide instruction in driving; (4) has received a high school diploma or has an equivalent academic education; and (5) has completed an instructor training course of forty-five clock hours given by a school or agency approved by the commissioner, except that any such course given by an institution under the jurisdiction of the board of trustees of the Connecticut State University System shall be approved by the commissioner and the State Board of Education. During the period of licensure, an instructor shall notify the commissioner, within forty-eight hours, of an arrest or conviction for a misdemeanor or felony, or an arrest, conviction or administrative license suspension for a drug or alcohol-related offense. Upon such notification, the commissioner may suspend, revoke or withdraw the instructor's license or master instructor's license pursuant to the provisions of section 14-79.

(c) The commissioner may deny the application of any person for an instructor's license or a master instructor's license if the commissioner determines that the applicant has made a



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material false statement or concealed a material fact in connection with his or her application for the instructor's license or master instructor's license.

(d) The commissioner shall conduct such written, oral and practical examinations, as the commissioner deems necessary, to determine whether an applicant has sufficient skill in the operation of motor vehicles to ensure their safe operation, a satisfactory knowledge of the motor vehicle laws and the ability to impart such skill and knowledge to others. If the applicant successfully completes the examinations and meets all other requirements of this section, the commissioner shall issue an instructor's license or a master instructor's license, as the case may be, to such applicant. The license shall be valid for use only in connection with a drivers' school or schools licensed pursuant to section 14-69. Upon the issuance of an instructor's license or a master instructor's license, or for the renewal thereof, the applicant, when providing classroom or behind-the-wheel instruction, shall wear identification bearing such applicant's photograph and license number, at all times. If the applicant fails the examination, such applicant may apply for reexamination after five days. The license and the license renewal shall be valid for two years.

(e) The licensee shall be reexamined periodically in accordance with standards specified in regulations adopted under section 14-78.

(f) The commissioner may establish, by regulations adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, standards and procedures for the training and licensing of master instructors who are qualified to train driving instructors.

(g) The fee for an instructor's license, or for any renewal thereof, shall be one hundred dollars. The fee for a master instructor's license, or for any renewal thereof, shall be two hundred dollars. If the commissioner has not received a complete renewal application and fee on or before the expiration date of an applicant's license, such applicant shall be charged, in addition to the renewal fee, a late fee in an amount equal to the fee for such applicant's license. The commissioner shall not renew an instructor's license or a master instructor's license that has expired for more than sixty days. If a person's instructor's license or master instructor's license has expired for more than sixty days, and such person continues to provide driving instruction, for compensation, prior to granting such person an instructor's license or master instructor's license, the commissioner may impose a civil penalty for not more than one thousand dollars against such person.

(h) Any person who is not licensed in accordance with this section shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor if such person: (1) Engages in the business of providing, for compensation, instruction in driving a motor vehicle; or (2) is employed by a drivers' school to give instruction in



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driving a motor vehicle. The commissioner may impose a civil penalty for not more than one thousand dollars against any person who violates this subsection.



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DMV Division Requesting This Proposal	CVSD
Drafter(s)	Chief Christopher Smith

Title of Proposal	Inspection of Vehicles
Statutory Reference, if any	Section 14-103a of the Connecticut General Statutes
Brief Summary and Statement of Purpose	The purpose of this proposal is to define vehicle type, to address required inspections, and where such inspections are performed.

SECTION-BY-SECTION SUMMARY

Summarize sections in groups where appropriate

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BACKGROUND

Origin of Proposal **New Proposal** **Resubmission**

If this is a resubmission, please share the prior bill number, the reason the bill did not move forward, and any changes made or conversations had since it was last proposed:

Please consider the following, if applicable:

How does this proposal connect to the 10-year vision for the agency’s mission?	This proposal provides clarity to customers and provides additional inspection locations for better customer service. As a result, it is anticipated that DMV will be better able to streamline its customer service.
How will we measure if the proposal successfully accomplishes its goals?	The measurement of success can be determined by a reduction in wait time for customers and the usage of the new locations available.
Have there been changes in federal/state laws or regulations that make this legislation necessary?	No
Has this proposal or a similar proposal been implemented in other states? If yes, to what result?	No
Have certain constituencies	Yes, customer and business complaints indicate that this proposal is necessary.



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called for this proposal?	
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INTERAGENCY IMPACT

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Agency Contact (name, title)	
Date Contacted	
Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Talks Ongoing
Open Issues, if any	

FISCAL IMPACT

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Check here if this proposal does NOT have a fiscal impact

State	The potential reduction in revenue for the state may be offset by the increased staff productivity for other matters.
Municipal (Include any municipal mandate that can be found within legislation)	
Federal	



Additional notes	
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MONITORING & EVALUATION PLAN

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Check here if this proposal does NOT lead to any measurable outcomes

Measurements include the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Reduced wait time for customers, which will lead to more successful transactions; and 2) Better safety inspections will be done by licensed businesses.

ANYTHING ELSE WE SHOULD KNOW?

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FULLY DRAFTED BILL TO BE INSERTED HERE

Section 1. Sec. 14-103a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof: (a) Any motor vehicle that (1) has been reconstructed, (2) is composed or assembled from the several parts of other motor vehicles, (3) the identification and body contours of which are so altered that the vehicle no longer bears the characteristics of any specific make of motor vehicle, or (4) has been declared a total loss by any insurance carrier and subsequently reconstructed, shall be inspected by the commissioner to determine whether the vehicle is properly equipped, in good mechanical condition and in the possession of its lawful owner. the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles has been deemed to be altered, composite, grey market, or salvage, shall be inspected by the commissioner to determine whether the vehicle is properly equipped and in good mechanical condition. As used in this section, “altered” means the vehicle has been materially modified from its original construction by the removal, addition, or substitution of essential parts, new or used; “composite” means a vehicle that is: (1) composed or assembled from several parts of other motor vehicles, (2) assembled from a kit, or (3) has been altered, assembled, or modified from the original manufacturer’s specifications; “grey market”



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means the vehicle was imported into the United States that was manufactured for use outside of the United States and did not meet United States Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards or Environmental Protection Agency requirements at the time of manufacture; “salvage” means the vehicle has been declared a total loss by any insurance carrier and subsequently rebuilt; “unlicensed manufacturer” means any person, firm, or corporation that is not licensed in accordance with the provisions of section 14-67a. The model year designation for the purpose of registration of a composite motor vehicle inspected in accordance with this section shall be the model year that the body of such composite motor vehicle most closely resembles. **¶** Such vehicle shall be presented for inspection at any Department of Motor Vehicles office to conduct such inspection. **¶** Altered, composite, and grey market vehicles shall be presented for inspection at a Department of Motor Vehicles location designated by the commissioner. The commissioner may require **¶** any person presenting any such reassembled, altered or reconstructed vehicle for inspection to provide proof of lawful purchase of any major component parts not part of the vehicle when first sold by the manufacturer. The commissioner may require, in accordance with the provisions of this section, the inspection of any other motor vehicle that has not been manufactured by a person, firm or corporation licensed in accordance with the provisions of section 14-67a. The fee for any inspection required by the provisions of this section shall be eighty-eight dollars. The inspection fee shall be in addition to regular registration fees. As used in this section, "reconstructed" refers to each motor vehicle materially altered from its original construction by the removal, addition or substitution of essential parts, new or used. **¶** the inspection of any motor vehicle made by an unlicensed manufacturer.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, salvage motor vehicles shall pass a safety inspection prior to registration. The commissioner may use the services of any motor vehicle dealer or repairer, licensed in accordance with section 14-52, to conduct the inspection. The fee for any inspection required by the provisions of this section or charged by any such dealer or repairer for a salvage inspection shall not exceed eighty-eight dollars. The inspection fee shall be in addition to regular registration fees.

(c) The commissioner may require any person presenting any altered, composite, grey market, or salvage vehicle for inspection to provide proof of the lawful purchase of any major component parts not part of the vehicle when first sold by the manufacturer. As used in this section, ‘major component part’ has the same meaning as defined in section 14-149a.



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Document Name	DMV, Update Highway Work Zone Safety Council member agency name. [4 of 11]
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DMV Division Requesting This Proposal	Commercial Vehicle Safety Division
Drafter(s)	Chief Christopher Smith

Title of Proposal	Amendment to Update Language regarding the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection
Statutory Reference, if any	Section 14-212e(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes
Brief Summary and Statement of Purpose	The purpose of this proposal is to update the reference to the former Department of Public Safety to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection.

SECTION-BY-SECTION SUMMARY

Summarize sections in groups where appropriate

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BACKGROUND

Origin of Proposal New Proposal Resubmission

Effective July 1, 2011, the “Department of Public Safety” became the “Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection.”

Please consider the following, if applicable:

How does this proposal connect to the 10-year vision for the agency’s mission?	
How will we measure if the proposal successfully accomplishes its goals?	
Have there been changes in federal/state laws or regulations that make this legislation necessary?	Yes. Effective July 1, 2011, the “Department of Public Safety” became the “Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection.”
Has this proposal or a similar proposal been implemented in other states? If yes, to what result?	No
Have certain constituencies	No



called for this proposal?	
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INTERAGENCY IMPACT

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1. Agency Name	
Agency Contact (name, title)	
Date Contacted	
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Open Issues, if any	

FISCAL IMPACT

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State	
Municipal (Include any municipal mandate that can be found within legislation)	
Federal	



Additional notes	
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MONITORING & EVALUATION PLAN

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[X] Check here if this proposal does NOT lead to any measurable outcomes

The measurable outcome would require keeping track of the type of commercial motor vehicle in which the endorsement holder is testing.

ANYTHING ELSE WE SHOULD KNOW?

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FULLY DRAFTED BILL TO BE INSERTED HERE

Section 1. Sec. 14-212e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof: (b) The council shall be comprised of the following members: The Commissioners of Transportation, [Public Safety] Emergency Services and Public Protection and Motor Vehicles, or their designees; the president of the Connecticut Employees Union Independent, or such person's designee; the president of the Connecticut State Police Union, or such person's designee; and a representative of the Connecticut Construction Industries Association, designated by the president of said association. Appointees should be persons with knowledge and experience concerning highway work zones. Appointments to the council shall be made not later than November 1, 2008. The chairperson of the council shall be appointed by the Governor and shall convene the first meeting of the council not later than December 1, 2008.



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Document Name	DMV, Align CT school bus endorsement with CDL classification. [5 of 11]
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DMV Division Requesting This Proposal	CVSD
Drafter(s)	Chief Christopher Smith

Title of Proposal	School Bus Proficiencies
Statutory Reference, if any	Section 14-276a of the Connecticut General Statutes
Brief Summary and Statement of Purpose	The purpose of this proposal is to update the language regarding school bus proficiencies to match the current CDL classes and school bus endorsement requirements. Current language could cause school bus drivers to lose endorsements if they do not hold a certain endorsement (i.e., the DMV does not use ten thousand (10,000) pounds as a cutoff point for proficiency testing).

SECTION-BY-SECTION SUMMARY

Summarize sections in groups where appropriate



BACKGROUND

Origin of Proposal New Proposal Resubmission

This proposal deletes the language regarding Type I and Type II school bus proficiency testing.

Please consider the following, if applicable:

How does this proposal connect to the 10-year vision for the agency’s mission?	
How will we measure if the proposal successfully accomplishes its goals?	
Have there been changes in federal/state laws or regulations that make this legislation necessary?	No
Has this proposal or a similar proposal been	No



implemented in other states? If yes, to what result?	
Have certain constituencies called for this proposal?	No

INTERAGENCY IMPACT

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Date Contacted	
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Open Issues, if any	

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Municipal (Include any municipal mandate that can be found within legislation)	



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Additional notes	

MONITORING & EVALUATION PLAN

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The measurable outcome would require keeping track of the type of commercial motor vehicle in which the endorsement holder is testing.

ANYTHING ELSE WE SHOULD KNOW?

FULLY DRAFTED BILL TO BE INSERTED HERE

Section 1. Sec. 14-276a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof: (a) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, establishing a procedure for the safety training of school bus operators and operators of student transportation vehicles. Such regulations shall provide for minimum proficiency requirements for school bus operators. The safety training administered by the commissioner shall conform to the minimum requirements of number 17 of the National



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Highway Safety Standards. Such safety training shall include instruction relative to the location, contents and use of the first aid kit in the motor vehicle.

(b) No person shall operate a school bus, as defined in section 14-275, or a student transportation vehicle, as defined in section 14-212, for the purpose of transporting school children unless such person has prior to the issuance or renewal of such person's license endorsement: (1) Furnished evidence to the satisfaction of the commissioner that such person meets the physical qualification standards established in 49 CFR 391, as amended from time to time; and (2) successfully completed a course in safety training and, in the case of school bus operators, passed an examination in proficiency in school bus operation given by the commissioner. Such proficiency examination shall include a road test administered in [either a type I school bus having a gross vehicle weight exceeding ten thousand pounds or a type II school bus having a gross vehicle weight of ten thousand pounds or less. Any operator administered a road test in a type II school bus shall not be eligible for a license to operate a type I school bus] a school bus in which the operator holds a commercial driver's license with the appropriate endorsements. Any operator administered a road test in a school bus with a gross vehicle weight rating not exceeding 26,000 pounds shall not be eligible to operate a school bus with a gross vehicle weight rating exceeding 26,000 pounds. The commissioner shall prioritize scheduling a road test for persons seeking or renewing a public passenger endorsement to operate a school bus. [Any operator administered a road test in a type II school bus shall not be eligible for a license to operate a type I school bus.] Any person who violates any provision of this subsection shall be deemed to have committed an infraction.



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DMV Division Requesting This Proposal	Commercial Vehicle Safety Division
Drafter(s)	Johnnine Dominique

Title of Proposal	Align transporter registration requirements with dealer statutes.
Statutory Reference, if any	Section 14-35 of the Connecticut General Statutes
Brief Summary and Statement of Purpose	The purpose of this proposal is to provide consistency between dealers and holders of transporter plates. Dealers have forty-five (45) days to renew their licenses upon their expiration. There is also a late fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) that dealers must pay after the expiration of their dealer’s licenses. For consistency, transporter registrations should not be renewed after forty-five (45) days following their expiration. Holders of transporter plates should also pay a late fee should they fail to renew their plates within forty-five (45) days of their expiration.

SECTION-BY-SECTION SUMMARY

Summarize sections in groups where appropriate



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BACKGROUND

Origin of Proposal New Proposal Resubmission

The Dealers and Repairers Division has a large volume of customers in possession of transporter plates who continue to drive with such plates, although they have expired. This proposal will require such customers to renew their plates within forty-five (45) days of their expiration. A late fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) will also incentivize timely renewals.

Please consider the following, if applicable:

How does this proposal connect to the 10-year vision for the agency’s mission?	Where feasible, the agency seeks to streamline its operation and to provide consistency amongst its business licensees and plate holders. With respect to renewals and late fees, this revision to the current statute will help to bring the requirements for holders of transporter plates in alignment with the same requirements expected of dealers.
How will we measure if the proposal successfully accomplishes its goals?	DMV can measure the success of the proposal by counting the number of transporter plates that were renewed with a late fee. DMV can also count the number of transporter plates that were not renewed and subsequently canceled. DMV can also analyze the number of transporter plates that were timely renewed and did not incur a late fee. These figures can be compared to those from past years.
Have there been changes in federal/state laws or regulations that make this legislation necessary?	No
Has this proposal or a similar proposal been	No



implemented in other states? If yes, to what result?	
Have certain constituencies called for this proposal?	No

INTERAGENCY IMPACT

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Open Issues, if any	

FISCAL IMPACT

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State	The fiscal impact is that with the addition of late fees for transporter plates, the state will experience an increase in revenue from those individuals who renew their transporter plates.
Municipal (Include any municipal mandate that can be found within legislation)	



Federal	
Additional notes	

MONITORING & EVALUATION PLAN

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ANYTHING ELSE WE SHOULD KNOW?

The proposed late fee is consistent with the charge for an expired dealer’s license. For repairers, a biennial renewal costs three hundred forty (\$340), with a late fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) that applies within forty-five (45) days post expiration. Currently, transporter plates are renewed annually at a cost of two hundred fifty-five dollars (\$255) per transporter plate. A late fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) is reasonable, motivating compliance.

FULLY DRAFTED BILL TO BE INSERTED HERE

Section 1. Sec. 14-35 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof: (a) Any person who in the opinion of the commissioner is qualified may apply for a transporter's registration and number plate. The applicant shall furnish such information as the commissioner requires on forms to be furnished by the commissioner. All transporter registrations issued pursuant to this section shall expire annually on the last day of March. Any



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renewal filed with the commissioner after the expiration date shall be accompanied by a late fee of one hundred dollars per plate. The commissioner shall not renew any transporter registration under this section that has expired for more than forty-five days. Not later than January 1, 1989, the commissioner shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 specifically identifying (1) the types of vehicles which may be registered under a transporter's number plate and (2) limitations on the use of such plate, including the purposes for which such plate may be used.

(b) The applicant shall, instead of registering each motor vehicle owned by such applicant or temporarily in the applicant's custody, have issued to such applicant by the commissioner a general distinguishing number. Thereupon, each motor vehicle owned by the applicant or temporarily in the applicant's custody shall be regarded as registered under and having assigned to it the distinguishing number. The commissioner shall charge a fee at the rate of two hundred fifty dollars per annum for each general distinguishing number.

(c) A registrant shall furnish proof of financial responsibility to the commissioner as provided by section 14-112.

(d) Except as provided in this subsection, no registrant shall rent or allow or cause to be rented, operate or allow or cause to be operated for hire, use or cause to be used for the purpose of conveying passengers, merchandise or freight for hire, or operate as a commercial vehicle with a load, any motor vehicle registered under a transporter number plate. The number plate shall not be loaned to any person and shall not be used by its holder for personal purposes. The registrant who holds a transporter number plate may operate, or cause to be operated by a bona fide employee, motor vehicles for the purpose of transportation or repossession of motor vehicles owned by him or temporarily in his custody. Such number plate may be used for the movement on a contract or other basis of a storage or office trailer, house trailer, modular building or similar, nonpower trailing unit having unitized construction and to which a removable axle assembly is attached. Any dealer in boats may use, or allow or cause to be used, any trailer so registered for the purpose of transporting a boat or boats, together with any necessary equipment, between a demonstration site and his established place of business.

(e) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (d) of this section shall be fined not less than two hundred fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars.



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DMV Division Requesting This Proposal	Driver Regulation Division
Drafter(s)	Deb Notarino

Title of Proposal	Revisions to Commercial Driver’s Instruction Permit Language
Statutory Reference, if any	C.G.S. Sections 14-44a; 14-44c; 14-44e; 14-44i; and 14-44k
Brief Summary and Statement of Purpose	The purpose of this proposal is to update C.G.S. references to “commercial driver’s instruction permit” with “commercial learner’s permit” to align with language in federal regulations.

SECTION-BY-SECTION SUMMARY

Summarize sections in groups where appropriate

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BACKGROUND

Origin of Proposal **New Proposal** **Resubmission**

If this is a resubmission, please share the prior bill number, the reason the bill did not move forward, and any changes made or conversations had since it was last proposed:

Please consider the following, if applicable:

How does this proposal connect to the 10-year vision for the agency’s mission?	
How will we measure if the proposal successfully accomplishes its goals?	
Have there been changes in federal/state laws or regulations that make this legislation necessary?	No
Has this proposal or a similar proposal been implemented in other states? If yes, to what result?	
Have certain constituencies	No



called for this proposal?	
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INTERAGENCY IMPACT

List each affected agency. Copy the table as needed.

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1. Agency Name	
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Open Issues, if any	

FISCAL IMPACT

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Additional notes	
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MONITORING & EVALUATION PLAN

If applicable, please describe the anticipated measurable outcomes and the data that will be used to track those outcomes. Include the section number(s) responsible for those outcomes

Check here if this proposal does NOT lead to any measurable outcomes

ANYTHING ELSE WE SHOULD KNOW?

FULLY DRAFTED BILL TO BE INSERTED HERE

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 14-44a. of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective upon passage*):

(b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to (1) the holder of a commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit when accompanied in the vehicle by the holder of a commercial driver's license, (2) any military personnel who operate commercial motor vehicles solely in connection with their military duties, in accordance with 49 CFR 383.3(c), or (3) any member of the Connecticut National Guard who is qualified to operate a military or commercial motor vehicle in accordance with 49 CFR 383.3(c) and operates such vehicle while performing state military duty.

Section 2. Subsection (a) Section 14-44c. of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective upon passage*):



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(a) The application for a commercial driver's license or commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit, shall include the following:

Section 3. Subsection (b) Section 14-44e. of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective upon passage*):

(b) The commissioner shall not issue a commercial driver's license or a commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit to any applicant who does not meet the physical qualification standards set forth in 49 CFR 391, as amended from time to time. As required by 49 CFR 383.71(h), each applicant for a commercial driver's license or commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit shall provide to the commissioner a copy of a medical examiner's certificate, prepared by a medical examiner, as defined in 49 CFR 390.5, indicating that such applicant is medically certified to operate a commercial motor vehicle. For each applicant who has submitted such medical certification and who has also certified, in accordance with 49 CFR 383.71(b) and subsection (c) of section 14-44c, that such applicant operates in nonexcepted interstate commerce, the commissioner shall post a medical certification status of "certified" on the Commercial Driver's License Information System driver record for such applicant. The holder of a commercial driver's license who has not been examined and certified as qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle during the preceding twenty-four months, or a shorter period as indicated by the medical examiner submitting such certificate, shall be required to submit a new medical certificate. The commissioner shall not issue a commercial driver's license or commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit to any applicant or holder who fails to submit the medical certification required by this section. If the holder of a commercial driver's license or commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit fails to submit a new medical examiner's certificate before the expiration of twenty-four months or the period specified by the medical examiner, whichever is shorter, the commissioner shall, not later than sixty days after the date that such holder's medical status becomes uncertified: (1) Downgrade the commercial driver's license to a Class D operator's license; or (2) cancel the commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit. Any applicant or holder who is denied a commercial driver's license or a commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit or whose license or permit is disqualified, suspended, revoked or cancelled pursuant to this subsection shall be granted an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54.

Section 4. Subsection (g) Section 14-44e. of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective upon passage*):

(g) The commissioner may issue a commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit to any person who holds a valid operator's license. Such permit may be issued for a period not exceeding one year. Any holder of a commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit who has not obtained a commercial driver's license on or before the expiration date of such permit shall be required to retake the commercial driver's license knowledge test and any applicable endorsement knowledge tests. The holder of a commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit may, unless otherwise disqualified or suspended, drive a commercial motor vehicle if such holder is



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accompanied by the holder of a commercial driver's license of the appropriate class and bearing endorsements for the type of vehicle being driven who occupies a seat beside the individual for the purpose of giving instruction in driving the commercial motor vehicle. The commissioner shall not administer a commercial driver's license driving skills test to any holder of a commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit unless such person has held such permit for a minimum period of fourteen days.

Section 5. Subsection (h) Section 14-44e. of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective upon passage*):

(h) (1) The commissioner shall deny or disqualify for a period of sixty days a commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit or commercial driver's license if it is determined that an applicant or holder has provided false information on any certification the applicant or holder is required to give relative to such permit or license application.

(2) If an applicant or holder is suspected of fraud related to the issuance of a commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit or commercial driver's license, such applicant or holder shall be required to schedule the commercial driver's license knowledge test and driving skills test not later than thirty days after notification by the commissioner of the suspected fraud. Failure to schedule both such tests or failure to pass both such tests shall result in disqualification of such permit or license and the applicant or holder shall be required to reapply for the permit or license.

(3) Any applicant or holder convicted of fraud related to the issuance of a commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit or commercial driver's license shall have such applicant's or holder's permit or license disqualified for one year from the date of conviction and shall be required to retake such tests.

Section 6. Subsection (b) Section 14-44i. of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective upon passage*):

(b) There shall be charged for each commercial driver's license knowledge test a fee of sixteen dollars. There shall be charged for each commercial driver's license skills test a fee of thirty dollars. There shall be charged for each commercial [driver's instruction] learner's permit a fee of twenty dollars.

Section 7. Subsection (h) Section 14-44k. of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective upon passage*):

(h) A person is disqualified for life if such person commits two or more of the offenses specified in subsection (b) of this section, or if such person is the subject of two or more findings by the commissioner under subsection (c) of this section, or any combination of those offenses or findings, arising from two or more separate incidents. A person is disqualified for life if the commissioner takes suspension actions against such person for two or more alcohol test refusals



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or test failures, or any combination of such actions, arising from two or more separate incidents. Any person disqualified for life, except a person disqualified under subsection (g) of this section, who has both voluntarily enrolled in and successfully completed an appropriate rehabilitation program, as determined by the commissioner, may apply for reinstatement of such person's commercial driver's license or commercial [\[driver's instruction\] learner's](#) permit provided any such applicant shall not be eligible for reinstatement until such time as such person has served a minimum disqualification period of ten years. An application for reinstatement shall be accompanied by documentation satisfactory to the commissioner that such person has both voluntarily enrolled in and successfully completed a program established and operated by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services pursuant to chapter 319j, a program operated through a substance abuse treatment facility licensed in accordance with section 19a-491 or the equivalent of either program offered in another state. The commissioner shall not reinstate a commercial driver's license or commercial [\[driver's instruction\] learner's](#) permit that was disqualified for life unless an applicant for reinstatement requests an administrative hearing in accordance with chapter 54, and offers evidence that the reinstatement of such applicant's commercial driver's license or commercial [\[driver's instruction\] learner's](#) permit does not endanger the public safety or welfare. Such evidence shall include, but not be limited to, proof that such applicant has not been convicted of any offense involving alcohol, a controlled substance or a drug during a period of ten years following the date of such applicant's most recent lifetime disqualification. If a person whose commercial driver's license or commercial [\[driver's instruction\] learner's](#) permit is reinstated under this subsection is subsequently convicted of another disqualifying offense, such person shall be permanently disqualified for life and shall be ineligible to reapply for a reduction of the lifetime disqualification. The following shall remain on the driving history record of a commercial motor vehicle operator or commercial driver's license or commercial [\[driver's instruction\] learner's](#) permit holder for a period of fifty-five years, as required by 49 CFR Part 384, as amended from time to time: (1) Any offense specified in subsection (b) or (c) of this section, provided such offense occurred on or after December 29, 2006; (2) each of two or more offenses specified in subsection (b) or (c) of this section that occur within ten years of each other and result in a lifetime disqualification, regardless of when such offenses occur; (3) any conviction under subsection (g) of this section for using a motor vehicle in the commission of a felony involving the manufacture, distribution or dispensing of a controlled substance, committed on or after January 1, 2005.

Section 8. Subsection (k) Section 14-44k. of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective upon passage*):

(k) After taking disqualification action, or suspending, revoking or cancelling a commercial driver's license or commercial [\[driver's instruction\] learner's](#) permit, the commissioner shall update the commissioner's records to reflect such action within ten days. After taking disqualification action, or suspending, revoking or cancelling the operating privileges of a commercial motor vehicle operator or a commercial driver who is licensed or holds a commercial [\[driver's instruction\] learner's](#) permit in another state, the commissioner shall notify the licensing



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state of such action within ten days. Such notification shall identify the violation that caused such disqualification, suspension, cancellation or revocation.

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DMV Division Requesting This Proposal	Commercial Vehicle Safety
Drafter(s)	Johnnine Dominique

Title of Proposal	Recycler’s Bonds
Statutory Reference, if any	Sections 14-52 and 14-67I of the Connecticut General Statutes
Brief Summary and Statement of Purpose	Currently, recyclers are not required to have a bond on file with DMV. A bond will provide a safety net that can be used to address unexpected situations, which will ensure consumers are protected by the recycler’s obligations while encouraging responsible business practices.

SECTION-BY-SECTION SUMMARY

Summarize sections in groups where appropriate

<p>Sec. 14-52. New car dealer's, used car dealer's, repairer's and limited repairer's licenses. Surety bonds. Penalty. The proposed bond amounts for recyclers is in alignment with the bond requirements for other similar businesses in the industry.</p> <p>Sec. 14-67I. (Formerly Sec. 21-18). License and fees. General registration of motor vehicles. Documents to be issued to drivers of such motor vehicles. Compliance with environmental</p>
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statutes and regulations. This proposal informs recyclers that the surety bonds are required when applying for a license.

BACKGROUND

Origin of Proposal New Proposal Resubmission

Presently, surety bonds are mandatory for new and used car dealers, repairers, leasing companies, and auto clubs, but not for recyclers. Introducing a bond requirement equips the DMV with a mechanism to ensure recyclers’ adherence to industry standards and applicable laws. The DMV, following a hearing, can access bond funds to address expenses related to consumer harm.

Please consider the following, if applicable:

<p>How does this proposal connect to the 10-year vision for the agency’s mission?</p>	<p>This proposal provides an incentive for recyclers to adhere to legal and ethical business practices. It will also signal to the public that the state takes consumer protection and ethical conduct seriously, which can lead to increased confidence in the industry. A surety bond will help safeguard consumers from potential financial loss by providing restitution when a recycler violates laws and regulations.</p>
<p>How will we measure if the proposal successfully accomplishes its goals?</p>	<p>All complaints received through our Consumer Complaint Center (CCC) are tracked. Any complaint against a recycler that goes to hearing for a bond invocation for violations or harm to consumers will be documented within the CCC’s internal tracking system.</p>
<p>Have there been changes in federal/state laws or regulations that make this legislation necessary?</p>	<p>NO</p>



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<p>Has this proposal or a similar proposal been implemented in other states? If yes, to what result?</p>	<p>Yes. Arizona requires a twenty-thousand-dollar (\$20,000) bond for all licensed recycler's. (ARS 28-4362) The bond amount is published on the Arizona DMV's website.</p>
<p>Have certain constituencies called for this proposal?</p>	<p>This proposal arose as the result of a complaint that a consumer filed against a recycler with whom the customer was having difficulty for a loss that he suffered.</p>

INTERAGENCY IMPACT

List each affected agency. Copy the table as needed.

[X] Check here if this proposal does NOT impact other agencies

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FISCAL IMPACT

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Additional notes	

MONITORING & EVALUATION PLAN

If applicable, please describe the anticipated measurable outcomes and the data that will be used to track those outcomes. Include the section number(s) responsible for those outcomes

[] Check here if this proposal does NOT lead to any measurable outcomes

All complaints are tracked. If we invoke a recycler’s bond, it will be documented through our NEXGEN system. Statistics are currently kept for customer restitution.

ANYTHING ELSE WE SHOULD KNOW?

The proposed bond amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) requested for recyclers is the same amount as a bond for a repairer. Repairers often collaborate with recyclers to support various aspects of vehicle maintenance, repair, and recycling. This includes the sourcing of used parts and the disposal of vehicles beyond repair(s).

FULLY DRAFTED BILL TO BE INSERTED HERE

Section 1. Sec. 14-52 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof: (a) No person, firm or corporation may engage in the business of the buying, selling, offering for sale or brokerage of any motor vehicle or the repairing of any motor vehicle without having been issued a new car dealer's, a used car dealer's, or a repairer's license. The license fee



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for each such license, payable to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, shall be as follows: (1) New motor vehicle dealer, seven hundred dollars; (2) used motor vehicle dealer, five hundred sixty dollars; and (3) repairer, three hundred forty dollars. Each such license shall be renewed biennially according to renewal schedules established by the commissioner to effect staggered renewal of all such licenses. If the adoption of a staggered system results in the expiration of any license more or less than one year from its issuance, the commissioner may charge a prorated amount for such license fee. Not less than forty-five days prior to the date of expiration of each such license, the commissioner shall send or transmit to each licensee, in a manner determined by the commissioner, an application for renewal. Any licensee which has not filed the application for renewal accompanied by the prescribed fee prior to the date of expiration of its license shall cease to engage in business. An application for renewal filed with the commissioner after the date of expiration shall be accompanied by a late fee of one hundred dollars. The commissioner shall not renew any license under this subsection which has expired for more than forty-five days.

(b) (1) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, each applicant for a repairer's license shall furnish a surety bond in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars.

(2) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, each applicant for a new car dealer's or a used car dealer's license shall furnish a surety bond in the amount of sixty thousand dollars.

(3) Each applicant for a leasing or rental license issued pursuant to section 14-15, who is engaged in the leasing or renting of motor vehicles for periods of thirty days or more, shall furnish a surety bond in the amount of fifteen thousand dollars.

[(5)] (4) Each applicant for a recycler's license issued pursuant to section 14-67l, who is engaged in the business as a motor vehicle recycler shall furnish a surety bond in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars.

[(6)] (5) Each such bond required under subdivisions (1) to [(5)] (4), inclusive, of this subsection shall be conditioned upon the applicant or licensee complying with the provisions of any state or federal law or regulation relating to the conduct of such business and provided as indemnity for any loss sustained by any customer by reason of any acts of the licensee constituting grounds for suspension or revocation of the license or such licensee going out of business. Each surety bond shall be executed in the name of the state of Connecticut for the benefit of any aggrieved customer, but the penalty of the bond shall not be invoked except upon order of the commissioner after a hearing held before said commissioner in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54. For purposes of this subdivision, "customer" does not include (A) any person, firm or corporation that finances a licensed dealer's motor vehicle inventory, or (B) any licensed dealer, in such person's capacity as a dealer, who buys motor vehicles from or sells motor



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vehicles to another licensed dealer.

[5](6) The commissioner shall assess an administrative fee of two hundred dollars against any licensee for failing to provide proof of bond renewal or replacement on or before the date of the expiration of the existing bond. Such fee shall be in addition to the license suspension or revocation penalties and the civil penalties to which the licensee is subject pursuant to section 14-64.

Section 2. Sec. 14-67I. (Formerly Sec. 21-18) of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof: (a) Upon receiving such certificate of approval, each applicant for a motor vehicle recycler's license shall present such certificate to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, together with a fee of two hundred eighty dollars for the examination of the location or proposed location of each such motor vehicle recycler's yard or business, and shall pay a license fee of seven hundred five dollars to said commissioner for each motor vehicle recycler's yard or business. Each application for such license shall be accompanied by a surety bond as required pursuant to section 14-52. Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, upon receipt of such certificate of approval, the payment of the required license fee and observance of regulations required, a license shall be issued by the commissioner provided, however, the commissioner may refuse to grant a license to a person, firm or corporation to engage in the business of operating a motor vehicle recycler's yard if the applicant for such business license or an officer or major stockholder, if the applicant is a firm or corporation, has been convicted of a violation of any provision of laws pertaining to the business of a motor vehicle dealer or repairer, including a motor vehicle recycler, in the courts of the United States or of this state or any state of the United States, in accordance with the hearing requirements provided for in section 14-67p. Any license may be renewed on a biennial basis upon payment of a fee of seven hundred dollars. Each such licensee shall, instead of registering each motor vehicle owned by him, make application to the commissioner for a general distinguishing number and mark, and the commissioner may issue to the applicant a certificate of registration containing the distinguishing number and mark assigned to such licensee and, thereupon, each motor vehicle owned by such licensee shall be regarded as registered – under such general distinguishing number and mark. No licensee may be issued more than three registrations under a general distinguishing number and mark in a year, unless he makes application for an additional registration to the commissioner, in such form and containing such information as he may require to substantiate such request. The commissioner may issue to each such licensee such additional registrations as he deems necessary. The licensee shall issue to each person driving such motor vehicle a document indicating that such person is validly entrusted with the vehicle, which document shall be carried in the motor vehicle. The commissioner shall determine the form and contents of this document.



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For the registration of each motor vehicle under a general distinguishing number and mark, the commissioner shall charge a fee at the rate of seventy dollars per year. Such licensee shall furnish financial responsibility satisfactory to the commissioner as defined in section 14-112. Such number plates may be used as provided for under section 14-67n.



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DMV Division Requesting This Proposal	Driver Regulations – Driver Education and Testing Unit
Drafter(s)	Cindy Zuerblis

Title of Proposal	Driving School Licensing
Statutory Reference, if any	Section 14-69 of the Connecticut General Statutes
Brief Summary and Statement of Purpose	The purpose of this proposal is to clarify that additional locations for driving schools must be licensed and must meet all the criteria outlined in the driving school laws.

SECTION-BY-SECTION SUMMARY

Summarize sections in groups where appropriate

<p>This proposal also sets the surety bond at \$50,000 for each location operated by a driving school.</p> <p>This proposal also authorizes the commissioner to assess penalties against a driving school that continued to operate after the expiration of its license, prior to granting a new license to the applicant.</p>
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This proposal also authorizes a civil penalty to be assessed against individuals who operate an unlicensed driving school location.

BACKGROUND

Origin of Proposal **New Proposal** **Resubmission**

Please consider the following, if applicable:

How does this proposal connect to the 10-year vision for the agency’s mission?	This proposal promotes public safety as it will not allow unlicensed individuals to operate driving schools in Connecticut.
How will we measure if the proposal successfully accomplishes its goals?	The measurement of success can be determined by reviewing the number of schools/individuals that have branches and determining whether such branches have come into compliance with this proposal. In addition, this will help to encourage schools to timely renew their licenses.
Have there been changes in federal/state laws or regulations that make this legislation necessary?	No
Has this proposal or a similar proposal been	Unsure



implemented in other states? If yes, to what result?	
Have certain constituencies called for this proposal?	No; however, this proposal protects the general public from doing business with an unlicensed driving school.

INTERAGENCY IMPACT

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FISCAL IMPACT

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Additional notes	

MONITORING & EVALUATION PLAN

If applicable, please describe the anticipated measurable outcomes and the data that will be used to track those outcomes. Include the section number(s) responsible for those outcomes

Check here if this proposal does NOT lead to any measurable outcomes

ANYTHING ELSE WE SHOULD KNOW?

FULLY DRAFTED BILL TO BE INSERTED HERE

Section 1. Sec. 14-69 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof: (a) No person shall engage in the business of conducting a drivers' school without being licensed by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. An application for a license shall be in writing and shall contain such information as the commissioner requires. Each applicant for a license or the renewal of a license shall be fingerprinted before such application is approved. The commissioner shall subject each applicant for a license or the renewal of a license to state and national criminal history records checks conducted in accordance with section 29-17a, and a



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check of the state child abuse and neglect registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k. If any such applicant has a criminal record or is listed on the state child abuse and neglect registry, the commissioner shall make a determination whether to issue a license or renew a license to conduct a drivers' school in accordance with the standards and procedures set forth in section 14-44 and the regulations adopted pursuant to said section. If the application is approved, the applicant shall be granted a license upon the payment of a fee of seven hundred dollars, and for each location operated by such drivers' school, the submission of a surety bond in the amount of fifty thousand dollars, from a surety company authorized to do business in this state, conditioned upon the faithful performance by the applicant of any contract to furnish instruction[, in such amount as the commissioner may require]. Such surety bond shall be held by the commissioner to satisfy any execution issued against such school in a cause arising out of failure of such school to perform such contract. For each additional place of business of such school, the commissioner shall charge a fee of one hundred seventy-six dollars, except if the licensee opens an additional place of business with one year or less remaining on the term of its license, the commissioner shall charge a fee of eighty-eight dollars for each such additional place of business for the year, or any part thereof, remaining on the term of such license. Each additional place of business is subject to the standards and procedures set forth in section 14-78 and the regulations adopted pursuant to said section. No license or surety bond shall be required in the case of any board of education, or any public, private or parochial school, which conducts a course in driver education established in accordance with sections 14-36e and 14-36f. A license so issued shall be valid for two years. The commissioner shall issue a license certificate or certificates to each licensee, one of which shall be displayed in each place of business of the licensee. In case of the loss, mutilation or destruction of a license certificate, the commissioner shall issue a duplicate license certificate to the licensee upon proof of the facts and the payment of a fee of twenty dollars.

(b) The biennial fee for the renewal of a license shall be seven hundred dollars and the biennial renewal fee for each additional place of business shall be one hundred seventy-six dollars, except if the licensee opens an additional place of business with one year or less remaining on the term of its license, the commissioner shall charge a fee of eighty-eight dollars for each such additional place of business for the year, or any part thereof, remaining on the term of such license. If the commissioner has not received a complete renewal application and all applicable renewal fees on or before the expiration date of an applicant's license, the commissioner shall charge such applicant, in addition to such renewal fees, a late fee of seven hundred dollars. Upon the expiration date of a license, the licensee shall cease to conduct business until such time as the licensee's application for renewal is approved by the commissioner. The commissioner shall not renew any license under this section that has expired for more than sixty days. If a licensee fails to renew its license after sixty days and continues to conduct business, prior to granting the



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licensee a new license, the commissioner may impose a civil penalty for not more than one thousand dollars against such licensee.

(c) Any person who engages in the business of conducting a drivers' school or an additional place of business without being licensed in accordance with this section shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.



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Naming Format: AGENCY ACRONYM PROPOSAL NUMBER - TOPIC

Please insert a copy of the fully drafted bill at the end of this document (required for review)

Legislative Liaison	Jim Polites W: 860-263-5026; C: 860-754-8660 E: james.polites@ct.gov
DMV Division Requesting This Proposal	Commercial Vehicle Safety Division
Drafter(s)	Johnnine Dominique

Title of Proposal	Fingerprint supported state and national criminal history check
Statutory Reference, if any	C.G.S. Sec. 14-52a
Brief Summary and Statement of Purpose	This proposal would enable more complete, nationwide criminal background checks for individuals applying for business licenses with the DMV. Presently, the DMV is conducting state-level checks.

SECTION-BY-SECTION SUMMARY

Summarize sections in groups where appropriate

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BACKGROUND

Origin of Proposal **New Proposal** **Resubmission**

As a result of discussions between the DMV and the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP), and the recommendation of both state agencies, the DMV anticipates that FBI approval of national background checks would follow as a result of this revision to Sec. 14-52a. Current law requires a national fingerprint-based background check before an application is made to the DMV. This revision would further clarify that it is the DMV, not the applicant, that is responsible for receipt, review, and determination of national background check results. Procedurally, the DMV could then receive and review a business application, and as a subsequent step issue to the applicant an FBI privacy statement required for fingerprinting. The result would be a clearer, more thorough approach to applicant screening.

Please consider the following, if applicable:

How does this proposal connect to the 10-year vision for the agency’s mission?	Many DMV business applicants are out-of-state residents. This would allow a more thorough check on each applicant to confirm that (s)he qualifies to hold a business license. This proposal supports DMV efforts to equitably regulate and provide consumer protection.
How will we measure if the proposal successfully accomplishes its goals?	The measurement as to whether the proposal accomplishes its goals will be based on the number of background checks (including national checks), and results thereof, moving forward.
Have there been changes in federal/state laws or regulations that make this legislation necessary?	No
Has this proposal or a similar proposal been implemented in other states? If	No



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yes, to what result?	
Have certain constituencies called for this proposal?	No

INTERAGENCY IMPACT

List each affected agency. Copy the table as needed.

Check here if this proposal does NOT impact other agencies

1. Agency Name	DESPP
Agency Contact (name, title)	Versie Jones, Law Enforcement Systems Analyst
Date Contacted	September 26, 2023
Status	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Talks Ongoing
Open Issues, if any	

FISCAL IMPACT

Include the section number(s) responsible for the fiscal impact and the anticipated impact

Check here if this proposal does NOT have a fiscal impact

State	
Municipal (Include any municipal mandate that can be found within legislation)	



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Federal	
Additional notes	

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If applicable, please describe the anticipated measurable outcomes and the data that will be used to track those outcomes. Include the section number(s) responsible for those outcomes

[] Check here if this proposal does NOT lead to any measurable outcomes

There is a possibility, which will bear out in future data, that additional business applications may be denied, depending on results of out-of-state criminal background checks.

ANYTHING ELSE WE SHOULD KNOW?

FULLY DRAFTED BILL TO BE INSERTED HERE

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 14-52a. of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective upon passage*):

(a) The commissioner may, after notice and hearing, refuse to grant or renew a license to a person, firm or corporation to engage in the business of selling or repairing motor vehicles pursuant to the provisions of section 14-52 if the applicant for, or holder of, such a license, or an officer or major stockholder, if the applicant or licensee is a firm or corporation, has been found liable in a civil action for odometer fraud or operating a dealer, repairer or motor vehicle recycler business without a license, convicted of a violation of any provision of laws pertaining to the business of a motor vehicle dealer or repairer, including a motor vehicle recycler, or convicted of



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any violation of any provision of laws involving fraud, larceny or deprivation or misappropriation of property, in the courts of the United States or any state. Each applicant for such a license shall be fingerprinted and submit to state and national criminal history records checks, conducted in accordance with section 29-17a [, not more than thirty days before such application is made and provide the results of such records checks to the Department of Motor Vehicles]. The commissioner may require a person, firm or corporation to submit its application electronically. Upon renewal of such license, a licensee shall make full disclosure of any such civil judgment or conviction under penalty of false statement.

(b) The commissioner shall not, after notice and hearing, grant or renew a license to an applicant for or the holder of a used car dealer's license that is delinquent in the payment of sales tax in connection with a business from which it is or was obligated to remit sales tax, as reported to the commissioner by the Department of Revenue Services.



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Document Name	DMV, Revise statutory requirements for the electronic issuance of vehicle registration and title processing [11 of 11]
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Naming Format: AGENCY ACRONYM PROPOSAL NUMBER - TOPIC

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Legislative Liaison	Jim Polites W: 860-263-5026 E: james.polites@ct.gov
DMV Division Requesting This Proposal	Commercial Vehicle Safety Division (CVSD) Vehicle Business Regulation (VBR)
Drafter(s)	Chris Smith Audrey Hall Michelle Givens

Title of Proposal	
Statutory Reference, if any	C.G.S. Section 14-15d., with new proposed statutory provisions
Brief Summary and Statement of Purpose	As a response to customer service challenges brought about by the public health emergency, the DMV took administrative action to facilitate online vehicle registration processing by certain business entities. The purpose of this proposal is to address regulatory alignment with other DMV business licensing and strengthen consumer protections for individuals served by these entities.

SECTION-BY-SECTION SUMMARY

Summarize sections in groups where appropriate



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Sec. 1 (Revises 14-15d.): Updates transaction verification standards and sets minimum application requirements for business entities seeking licensure to conduct electronic issuance of vehicle registration and certificates of title. (NOTE: DMV 10 proposal includes a separate revision to this section.)

Section 2 (New): Defines electronic issuance license and licensee requirements, including qualifications, standards of practice and bonding requirements, to align with the structure of other DMV regulated business entities.

Section 3 (New): Describes conditions by which Commissioner may refuse to grant or renew certain licenses, to align with existing authority and the structure of other DMV regulated business entities.

BACKGROUND

Origin of Proposal **New Proposal** **Resubmission**

Please consider the following, if applicable:

<p>How does this proposal connect to the 10-year vision for the agency's mission?</p>	<p>This proposal strengthens licensee oversight and protects consumers by authorizing a regulatory regime - including application and operating guidelines, as well as tools for enforcement - for certain entities that provide online vehicle registration and certificate of title processing,</p>
<p>How will we measure if the proposal successfully accomplishes its goals?</p>	<p>This proposal will contribute to continued efforts to drive down in-person transactions at DMV locations and add customer convenience; the license application process will help ensure trained and experienced professionals offer successful and valuable vehicle registration services for customers; data collection for these regulated entities will be standardized to inform future planning; and requirements such as</p>



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	background checks and surety bonds will prevent consumer issues and case remediation.
Have there been changes in federal/state laws or regulations that make this legislation necessary?	No
Has this proposal or a similar proposal been implemented in other states? If yes, to what result?	No
Have certain constituencies called for this proposal?	No; however, the DMV has identified this as an opportunity to provide reasonable oversight, consumer protections, and structure to licensees that offer online vehicle registration and titling services.

INTERAGENCY IMPACT

List each affected agency. Copy the table as needed.

[] Check here if this proposal does NOT impact other agencies

1. Agency Name	Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection
Agency Contact (name, title)	Versie Jones, Law Enforcement Systems Analyst
Date Contacted	January 5, 2024
Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Talks Ongoing
Open Issues, if any	



FISCAL IMPACT

Include the section number(s) responsible for the fiscal impact and the anticipated impact

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Federal	
Additional notes	

MONITORING & EVALUATION PLAN

If applicable, please describe the anticipated measurable outcomes and the data that will be used to track those outcomes. Include the section number(s) responsible for those outcomes

[] Check here if this proposal does NOT lead to any measurable outcomes

This proposal is designed to protect consumers and create additional efficiencies with administration of vehicle registration transactions. Data captured will allow for measurement of effective service to customers by these entities; ensure licensee expectations are clear; and moving forward pinpoint oversight areas in need of further sharpening.

ANYTHING ELSE WE SHOULD KNOW?



FULLY DRAFTED BILL TO BE INSERTED HERE

Sec. 1. Section 14-15d. of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may require any person, firm or corporation, who in the opinion of the commissioner is qualified and who is engaged in the business of filing applications for the issuance of a certificate of registration or a certificate of title for motor vehicles with the Department of Motor Vehicles, to file such applications electronically if the commissioner determines that such person, firm or corporation files, on average, seven or more such applications each month. A qualified person, firm or corporation shall, not later than ten days after the electronic issuance of such registration, submit to the commissioner an application together with all necessary documents required to register and title the vehicle with the department. If such person, firm or corporation fails to provide the department with the necessary documents for the electronic issuance of a certificate of registration or certificate of title for a motor vehicle, the department shall not process such documents and shall inform such person, firm or corporation accordingly. Any such person, firm or corporation that fails or refuses to file such application electronically upon the request of the commissioner shall pay a [twenty five-dollar] fee of twenty-five dollars to the commissioner for each application submitted. [The commissioner shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to implement the provisions of this section.]

Any person, firm or corporation that files applications electronically shall provide all owners of the motor vehicles for which it is filing such applications, a form, as prescribed by the commissioner, which shall contain such information as the commissioner requires. Such person, firm or corporation shall require all owners of the motor vehicle to acknowledge the information contained in such form by obtaining such owners' signatures therein.

No person, firm or corporation that files applications electronically for the issuance of a certificate of registration or a certificate of title shall charge a customer a fee in excess of twenty-five dollars to file such applications electronically with the department.

A qualified person, firm or corporation shall, prior to filing applications electronically for a certificate of registration or certificate of title, apply to the commissioner for an electronic issuance license pursuant to section 14-67x through 14-67y, inclusive. This subsection does not apply to a new or used car dealer, as defined in section 14-51, or a leasing company, as provided in section 14-15.

The commissioner may adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to implement the provisions of this section and sections 14-67x through 14-67y, inclusive.



Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2024):

No person, firm or corporation may electronically file applications for the issuance of a certificate of registration or a certificate of title for motor vehicles with the department without having been granted an electronic issuance license. For purposes of this subpart, an “electronic issuance license” means a license issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles to any person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of electronically filing applications for the issuance of a certificate of registration or certificate of title with the department, but does not include a license held by a new or used car dealer, as defined in section 14-51, or a leasing company, as provided in section 14-15. The license fee for such license shall be payable to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars. Each such license shall be renewed biennially according to renewal schedules established by the commissioner so as to effect staggered renewal of all such licenses. If the adoption of a staggered system results in the expiration of any license more or less than one year from its issuance, the commissioner may charge a prorated amount for such license fee. Not less than forty-five days prior to the date of expiration of such license, the commissioner shall send or transmit to each licensee, in a manner determined by the commissioner, an application for renewal. Any licensee who has not filed the application for renewal accompanied by the prescribed fee prior to the date of expiration of its license shall no longer be permitted to use the electronic system for filing registration and title applications with the department. An application for renewal filed with the commissioner after the date of expiration shall be accompanied by a late fee of one hundred dollars. The commissioner shall not renew any license under this subsection which has expired for more than forty-five days.

Each applicant for, or holder of, an electronic issuance license, shall furnish a surety bond in the amount of twenty thousand dollars. Such bond shall be conditioned upon the applicant for, or holder of, such license complying with the provisions of any state or federal law or regulation relating to the conduct of its business and provided as indemnity for any loss sustained by any customer by reason of such licensee’s failure to comply with such state or federal law or regulation. Each surety bond shall be executed in the name of the state of Connecticut for the benefit of any aggrieved customer, but the penalty of the bond shall not be invoked except upon order of the commissioner after a hearing held before said commissioner in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54.

Each applicant for, or holder of, an electronic issuance license, shall be responsible for all plates assigned to such company by the department. The registration and title licensee shall provide a surety bond in the amount of twenty thousand dollars to be held by the commissioner as security for any monetary loss suffered by the department as a result of the loss, destruction or misuse of plates assigned to such licensee.

Each applicant for, or holder of, an electronic issuance license, shall provide a surety bond to the commissioner in the amount of five thousand dollars conditioned upon the performance by such company of its duties in connection with the issuance of certificates of title and



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registration. The commissioner shall hold such bond to satisfy any monetary loss suffered by the department due to such company’s failure to remit registration or title fees.

The commissioner shall assess an administrative fee of two hundred dollars against any licensee for failing to provide proof of bond renewal or replacement on or before the date of the expiration of the existing bond.

No person, firm or corporation that has been granted an electronic issuance license shall include the words “Department of Motor Vehicles,” “DMV,” or other indication of the department in its name, nor shall such person, firm or corporation act in any manner that misleads consumers to believe that such person, firm or corporation represents, or is otherwise affiliated with, the department.

Sec. 3. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2024)

The commissioner may, after notice and hearing, refuse to grant or renew a license to a person, firm or corporation to engage in the business of filing applications electronically for the issuance of a certificate of registration or a certificate of title for motor vehicles with the Department of Motor Vehicles for any reason the commissioner reasonably deems necessary, or pursuant to the provisions of section 14-15d if the applicant for, or holder of, such a license, or an officer or major stockholder, if the applicant or licensee is a firm or corporation, has been found liable in a civil action for, or has been convicted of, a violation of any provision of laws pertaining to its business, or any violation of any provision of laws involving fraud, larceny, stalking, embezzlement, bribery or deprivation or misappropriation of property, in the courts of the United States or any state. Each applicant for such a license shall be fingerprinted and submit to state and national criminal history records checks, conducted in accordance with section 29-17a. The commissioner may require a person, firm or corporation to submit its application for an electronic issuance license electronically. Upon renewal of such license, a licensee shall make full disclosure of any such civil judgment or conviction under penalty of false statement.

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