

Second Amended Agency Legislative Proposal - 2019 Session

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State Agency: Department of Motor Vehicles

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Title of Proposal: An Act Concerning Revision of Motor Vehicle Statutes

Statutory Reference: Varied

Proposal Summary:

Section 1- Amends section 14-22 concerning registration renewals. Currently a renewal application, or "invitation" to renew, is sent to every registrant approximately 60 days prior to the time that the registration is to expire, even when the registrant must comply with a condition precedent before he or she would be able to renew. Many of these registrants mail in the registration fee without addressing the compliance issue, and assume they are properly registered. The department is then required to send the person a letter indicating that the registration has not been renewed, and issue a refund or deposit the fees paid in an escrow account. This amendment authorizes the department to send a compliance notice instead of the renewal application to people who must fulfill a condition prior to renewing a registration. Upon compliance, the renewal application would be sent to the registrant.

Section 2- Amends section 14-28 to clarify that only passenger type livery vehicles are eligible for dual platespassenger and livery

Section 3- Amends IRP statute to add protections for both registrants and government personnel that are required to view IRP documents when those documents are displayed on an electronic device.

Section 4- Amends section 14-36m to remove electronic mail as proof of residency for someone seeking a drive-only license. Electronic mail is not permitted as proof of residency for any other type of license.



Section 5- Amends section 14-44 to prohibit a person with a drive-only license under section 14-36m from obtaining a public passenger endorsement, and to clarify that the physical qualification standards for persons seeking a state-issued passenger endorsement are the same as those in 49 CFR Part 391.

Section 6- Amends section 14-100a(d)(5), which requires a person who has a first or second violation for failing to use or properly use a child car safety seat, to attend a child car seat safety course. The amendment would require successful completion of the course. Also, the current statute calls for a suspension up to two months when a person fails to attend or successfully complete the course. This would allow the person to serve a suspension and still not complete the course. The amendment imposes an indefinite suspension until a person successfully completes the course.

Section 7-Amends section 14-222a to impose a license suspension penalty for a conviction of negligent homicide, 90 days for a first conviction, and one year for a second or subsequent conviction.

Section 8- These are <u>alternative proposals</u>. The first option is to amend section 14-44(h) by removing language that requires the commissioner to monitor a carrier's compliance with the requirement that it check a suspended and revoked driver list twice monthly. As an alternative option, it amends section 14-276 to require each carrier to register with the Department of Motor Vehicles, and it imposes a penalty on the carrier for failing to register.

Section 9- Amends section 14-227k to make it clear that a person who is eligible for a license restoration with an IID as a result of a DUI offense, but who fails to install the IID and seek reinstatement, is subject to operating under suspension penalties if such person operates any motor vehicle.

Section 10- Amends section 14-276a by removing requirement that the commissioner pass regulations setting forth the physical qualification standards for the operators of school transportation vehicles, and establishes that the standards are the same as what is contained in 49 CFR Part 391.

Sec. 11- Amends section 14-46b by removing a requirement that the commissioner rely upon nominations of the Connecticut Medical Society when selecting Medical Advisory Board members for the Department. This is an outdated provision, and the Department is having difficulty filling positions with this limitation in place.

PROPOSAL BACKGROUND

♦ Reason for Proposal

Please consider the following, if applicable:

- (1) Have there been changes in federal/state/local laws and regulations that make this legislation necessary?
- (2) Has this proposal or something similar been implemented in other states? If yes, what is the outcome(s)?
- (3) Have certain constituencies called for this action?
- (4) What would happen if this was not enacted in law this session?

This proposal is to revise motor vehicle statutes to create efficiencies, reduce fraud and clarify customer requirements and penalties.



♦ Origin of Proposal

☑ Resubmission (section)

If this is a resubmission, please share:

- (1) What was the reason this proposal did not pass, or if applicable, was not included in the Administration's package?
- (2) Have there been negotiations/discussions during or after the previous legislative session to improve this proposal?
- (3) Who were the major stakeholders/advocates/legislators involved in the previous work on this legislation?
- (4) What was the last action taken during the past legislative session?

Section 8 (revisions to section 14-44(h)) were submitted as part of last year's package.

- (1) The action proposed last session, which was a **repeal** of a provision that was passed in the Education bill in 2017, was stripped from our bill just before it went to the floor for a vote. It is unclear why the repeal language did not appear in the final version of the DMV bill.
- (2) No. The original provision that passed in 2017 was not discussed with DMV prior to its passage. It is onerous and a drain on our resources, and continues to be unworkable.
- (3) The repeal appeared to be sanctioned by the Transportation committee and the agency. The original proposal that we sought to repeal came from the Education committee.
- (4) Attempted repeal was stripped from our bill just before passage with no explanation.

PROPOSAL IMPACT

♦ **AGENCIES AFFECTED** (please list for each affected agency)

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Summary of Affected Agency's Comments			
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- Sec. 1. Section 14-22 of the general statutes as amended by section 21 of public act 18-164 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*).
- (a) A motor vehicle registration issued pursuant to this chapter shall expire in accordance with schedules established by the commissioner. If the expiration date of the registration of the motor vehicle, except the registration of a motor vehicle used to transport passengers for hire, falls on any day when offices of the commissioner are closed for business, the registration shall be deemed valid for the operation of the motor vehicle until midnight of the next day on which offices of the commissioner are open for business. The commissioner shall prescribe the date and manner of renewing registrations. Not less than thirty days prior to the expiration of any valid registration, the



department shall send or transmit, in such manner as the commissioner determines, an application for renewal to the registrant. In the case of a motor vehicle registered to a leasing company licensed pursuant to section 14-15, the department may send or transmit, in such manner as the commissioner determines, an application for renewal of a leased vehicle to the lessee of such vehicle. When a registrant (1) is prohibited from renewing a registration for failing to comply with one or more provisions of law, or (2) owes fines or fees to the department related to any motor vehicle such registrant owns or leases or under subsection (f) of section 14-50, the department may send or transmit, in lieu of a renewal application, a notice that includes the nature of the compliance issue or the type and amount of any fee or fine, and indicates that the registrant's registration will not be renewed until the compliance issue is resolved or the fee or fine is paid in full. The commissioner shall not be required to send or transmit a registrant's or lessee's application or notice by mail if the United States Postal Service has determined that mail is undeliverable to such person at the address for such person that is in the records of the department. Except for the processing of such application at an official emissions inspection station as provided in subsection (b) of this section or by telephone as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the commissioner may require that the application be returned electronically or by mail in order to be processed and approved, with only such exceptions, on a hardship basis, as shall be established by the commissioner in regulations adopted pursuant to chapter 54.

Sec. 2. Section 14-28 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

For a fee of [six] <u>seven</u> dollars, the commissioner may furnish to each holder of a livery or taxicab registration an additional passenger motor vehicle number plate or set of number plates in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 14-21b to be used on such vehicle when not engaged in public service business, <u>provided such livery vehicle meets the criteria for registration as a passenger vehicle under chapter 246</u>. [On and after July 1, 1992, the fee shall be seven dollars.]

Sec. 3. Section 14-34a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles is authorized to enter into reciprocal agreements or plans on behalf of the state of Connecticut with the appropriate authorities of any of the states of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any state or province of any country providing for the registration of commercial vehicles on an apportionment or allocation basis, and may, in the exercise of this authority, enter into and become a member of the International Registration Plan developed by the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators. Any such reciprocal agreement or plan may provide for but shall not be limited to the following: (1) Full reciprocity in accordance with such



agreement or plan for commercial vehicles not based in Connecticut, operated solely in interstate commerce and of specified types or gross or unladen weights, in exchange for equivalent reciprocity for Connecticut based commercial vehicles; (2) reciprocal exchange of audits of records of the owners of such commercial vehicles by the states participating in any such agreement or plan; (3) any other matters which would facilitate the administration of such agreement or plan, including exchange of information for audits, enforcement activities and collection and disbursement of proportional registration fees for other jurisdictions in the case of Connecticut based commercial vehicles.

- (b) Any reciprocity agreement, arrangement or declaration relating to commercial vehicles in effect between this state and any jurisdiction not a party to such reciprocal agreement or plan, or which relates to any matters not covered in such reciprocal agreement or plan shall continue in force and effect until specifically amended or revoked as provided by law.
- (c) Notwithstanding any such agreement or plan, (1) any such commercial vehicle garaged at any fixed location or which leaves from and returns to one or more points within this state in the normal course of operations, shall be taxable in this state as personal property in the town where such vehicle is garaged; (2) registration shall be denied any such vehicle if any personal property taxes are unpaid with respect to such vehicle, as provided in section 14-33; (3) any such vehicle based in this state shall be subject to the provisions of sections 14-12, 14-15a, 14-16a and chapter 247.
- (d) At such time as the state of Connecticut may enter into and become a member of the International Registration Plan pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, the provisions of said plan, as it may be amended from time to time, which are concerned with the registration of any vehicle or the fees which relate to any such registration shall control whenever any special act or any provision of the general statutes, except subsection (c) of this section, conflicts with any provision of said plan. A copy of the plan, as it may be amended from time to time, shall be maintained on file by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles at the main office of the department, and shall be available for public inspection.
- (e) When the International Registration Plan requires that a member jurisdiction accept registration or other documents under such Plan in electronic format, the registrant may elect to show to any federal, state or municipal employee who is required to view such document a legible electronic image of such document. If a registrant presents such document by displaying an electronic image on a cellular mobile telephone or other electronic device, such employee may not view, and offering such display shall not be construed to be consent for the employee to view, any content on such telephone or electronic device other than such document. Neither the United States, the state or a municipality nor any agency or employee of the United States, the state or a municipality shall be liable for any damage to or destruction of a cellular mobile telephone or other electronic device provided to such employee for the purpose of displaying an electronic image of such document.



- [(e)] (f) Any commercial vehicle that is required to be registered in another jurisdiction shall not operate on any highway of the state without being so registered. Any commercial vehicle that is registered in any other jurisdiction and is eligible for registration on an apportionment basis shall not be operated on any highway without such registration or a seventy-two-hour trip permit registration issued by the commissioner. Any person who owns any motor vehicle operated in violation of this subsection shall be fined five hundred dollars for the first offense, and for each subsequent offense, not less than one thousand dollars nor more than two thousand dollars, except if the motor vehicle has a gross vehicle weight rating of more than sixty thousand pounds, such owner shall be fined one thousand dollars for the first offense, and for each subsequent offense, not less than two thousand dollars nor more than four thousand dollars.
- Sec. 4. Subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 14-36m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):
- (3) "Proof of residency" means a piece of mail [or electronic mail] that includes an applicant's name and address, indicates that such applicant resides in the state and is dated, unless otherwise indicated, not earlier than ninety days before an application for a motor vehicle operator's license, from any two of the following sources: (A) A bill from a bank or mortgage company, utility company, credit card company, doctor or hospital, (B) a bank statement or bank transaction receipt showing the bank's name and mailing address, (C) a preprinted pay stub, (D) a property or excise tax bill dated not earlier than twelve months before such application, (E) an annual benefits summary statement from the Social Security Administration or other pension or retirement plan dated not earlier than twelve months before such application, (F) a Medicaid or Medicare benefit statement, (G) a current homeowners insurance or renter's insurance policy or motor vehicle insurance card or policy dated not earlier than twelve months before such application, (H) a residential mortgage or similar loan contract, lease or rental contract showing signatures from all parties needed to execute the agreement dated not earlier than twelve months before such application, (I) any postmarked mail, (J) a change of address confirmation from the United States Postal Service indicating an applicant's current and prior address, (K) a survey of an applicant's real property issued by a licensed surveyor, or (L) any official school records showing enrollment.
- Sec. 5. Subsection (b) of section 14-44 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):
- (b) No operator's license bearing a public passenger endorsement shall be issued or renewed in accordance with the provisions of this section or section 14-36a, until the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, or the commissioner's authorized representative, is satisfied that the applicant is a proper person to receive such an operator's license bearing an endorsement, holds a valid motor vehicle



operator's license, or, if necessary for the class of vehicle operated, a commercial driver's license and is at least eighteen years of age. The commissioner shall not issue an operator's license bearing a public passenger endorsement to any person who holds a license under section 14-36m, as amended by this act. Each applicant for an operator's license bearing a public passenger endorsement or the renewal of such a license shall furnish the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, or the commissioner's authorized representative, with satisfactory evidence, under oath, to prove that such person has no criminal record and has not been convicted of a violation of section 14-227a or 14-227m or subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of section 14-227n within five years of the date of application and that no reason exists for a refusal to grant or renew such an operator's license bearing a public passenger endorsement. Each applicant for such an operator's license bearing a public passenger endorsement shall submit with the application proof satisfactory to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles that such applicant has passed a physical examination administered not more than ninety days prior to the date of application, and [which is in compliance with safety regulations established from time to time by the United States Department of Transportation] meets the physical qualification standards set forth in 49 CFR Part 391, as amended. Each applicant for renewal of such license shall present evidence that such applicant is in compliance with the [medical] physical qualification[s] standards established in 49 CFR Part 391, as amended[, provided an applicant for a Class D operator's license bearing an endorsement described in subsection (c) of section 14-36a, shall be deemed medically qualified if such applicant (1) controls with medication, as certified by a licensed physician or a licensed advanced practice registered nurse, a medical condition that would otherwise deem such applicant not medically qualified, and (2) would qualify for a waiver or exemption under 49 CFR 391, as amended]. Each applicant for such an operator's license bearing a public passenger endorsement shall be fingerprinted before the license bearing a public passenger endorsement is issued.

Sec. 6. Subdivision (5) of subsection (d) of section 14-100a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(d)(5) Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (1), (2), (3) or (4) of this subsection shall, for a first violation, have committed an infraction; for a second violation, be fined not more than one hundred ninety-nine dollars; and, for a third or subsequent violation, be guilty of a class A misdemeanor. The commissioner shall require any person who has committed a first or second violation of the provisions of this subsection to [attend] successfully complete a child car seat safety course offered or approved by the Department of Motor Vehicles. The commissioner may, after notice and an opportunity for a hearing, suspend [for a period of not more than two months] the motor vehicle operator's license of any person who fails to [attend or] successfully complete the course. The suspension shall remain in effect until such person has successfully completed the child car seat safety course.



- Sec. 7. Section 14-222a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):
- (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, any person who, in consequence of the negligent operation of a motor vehicle, causes the death of another person shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than six months or both.
- (b) Any person who, in consequence of the negligent operation of a commercial motor vehicle, causes the death of another person shall be fined not more than two thousand five hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than six months, or both.
- (c) Any person who is convicted under subsection (a) or (b) of this section shall have his or her operator's license or operating privilege suspended for ninety days for a first conviction and for one year for conviction of a second or subsequent offense, as determined by the offense date, that occurs within ten years of a previous conviction.
- Sec. 8. Subsection (h) of section 14-44 of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):
- (h) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 14-10, the commissioner shall furnish to any board of education or to any public or private organization that is actively engaged in providing public transportation, including the transportation of school children, a report containing the names and motor vehicle operator license numbers of each person who has been issued an operator's license with one or more public passenger endorsements, authorizing such person to transport passengers in accordance with the provisions of section 14-36a, but whose license or any such public passenger endorsement has been withdrawn, suspended or revoked by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles in accordance with the provisions of this section, or any other provision of this title. The report shall be issued and updated periodically in accordance with a schedule to be established by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. Such report may be transmitted or otherwise made available to authorized recipients by electronic means. [The commissioner shall ensure that each carrier, as defined in section 14-212, is reviewing such report, pursuant to section 14-276, by (1) conducting random compliance audits of carriers to determine whether a carrier is performing such review as prescribed by said section 14-276, (2) maintaining a record of each such review by a carrier for the prior two years, and (3) making such record publicly available upon request.]

OR

Section 14-276 as amended by section 12 of public act 18-164 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):



- (a) Registered school buses while transporting school children shall be operated by holders of a valid passenger and school endorsement issued in accordance with section 14-44, as amended by this act. Such endorsement shall be held in addition to the commercial driver's license required for the operation of such motor vehicles. A person who has attained the age of seventy shall be allowed to hold a passenger and school endorsement for the purpose of operating a school bus, provided such person meets the minimum physical requirements set by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles and agrees to submit to a physical examination at least twice a year or when requested to do so by the superintendent of the school system in which such person intends to operate a school bus. Any person to whom a town has awarded a contract for the transportation of school children who permits the operation of a registered school bus while transporting school children by any person who does not hold a passenger and school endorsement shall be fined not less than two thousand five hundred dollars or more than five thousand dollars.
- (b) Each carrier engaged in the transportation of students, as defined in subdivision (A) of subsection (2) of section 14-212, shall register with the Department of Motor Vehicles in a manner directed by the commissioner. Registration shall include the carrier's name and address, and the name of the employee or agent assigned to perform the carrier's responsibilities under subsection (c) of this section.
- [(b)] (c) Not less than once during the first and third week of each month, a carrier shall review the report made by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (h) of section 14-44, as amended by this act, with reference to the name and motor vehicle operator's license number of each person such carrier employs to operate a school bus, as defined in section 14-275, or a student transportation vehicle, as defined in section 14-212. If, according to such report, any such employee's motor vehicle operator's license or endorsement to operate a school bus or student transportation vehicle has been withdrawn, suspended or revoked, such carrier shall immediately prohibit such employee from operating a school bus or student transportation vehicle.
- [(c)] (d) Any carrier who fails to register, in accordance with subsection (b) of this section, or review the report made by the commissioner, pursuant to subsection [(b)] (c) of this section, shall be subject to a civil penalty of one thousand dollars for the first violation, and two thousand five hundred dollars for each subsequent violation. Any carrier who fails to take immediate action to prohibit the operation of a school bus or student transportation vehicle by an operator who appears on a report, pursuant to subsection [(b)] (c) of this section, shall be subject to a civil penalty of two thousand five hundred dollars for the first violation, and five thousand dollars for each subsequent violation. Upon appropriate justification presented to the commissioner by any carrier, the commissioner may make a determination to reduce any such penalty.



- Sec. 9. Section 14-227k of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):
- (a)(1) A person who completes the term of a license suspension and is eligible for reinstatement of his or her license or operating privilege under a provision of law that would require such person to install and use an ignition interlock device, but who does not install such device, is prohibited from operating any motor vehicle until such person installs such device and has his or her license or operating privilege reinstated by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. [No]
- (2) A person whose right to operate a motor vehicle has been restricted pursuant to an order of the court under subsection (b) of section 14-227j, by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or by any provision of law that requires the use of an ignition interlock device, shall not [(1)] (A) request or solicit another person to blow into an ignition interlock device or to start a motor vehicle equipped with an ignition interlock device for the purpose of providing such person with an operable motor vehicle, or [(2)] (B) operate any motor vehicle not equipped with a functioning ignition interlock device or any motor vehicle that a court has ordered such person not to operate.
- (b) No person shall tamper with, alter or bypass the operation of an ignition interlock device for the purpose of providing an operable motor vehicle to a person whose right to operate a motor vehicle has been restricted pursuant to an order of the court under subsection (b) of section 14-227j, by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or by any provision of law that requires the use of an ignition interlock device.
- (c) (1) Any person who violates any provision of <u>subparagraph (A) of</u> subdivision [(1)] (2) of subsection (a) or subsection (b) of this section shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor.
- (2) Any person who violates any provision of subdivision [(2)] (1) or subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section shall be subject to the penalties set forth in subsection (c) of section 14-215.
- (d) (e) Each court shall report each conviction under subsection (a) or (b) of this section to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, in accordance with the provisions of section 14-141. The commissioner shall suspend the motor vehicle operator's license or nonresident operating privilege of the person reported as convicted for a period of one year.
- Sec. 10. Section 14-276a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):
- (a) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 establishing a procedure for the [physical examination and] safety training of school bus operators and operators of student transportation vehicles. Such regulations shall provide [for



minimum physical requirements for such operators and] 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 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 his license endorsement: (1) Furnished evidence to the satisfaction of the commissioner that [he] <u>such person</u> meets the [minimum] physical [requirements set by the commissioner for operation of a school bus or a student transportation vehicle] <u>qualification standards</u> that have been established in 49 CFR section Part 391, as amended; (2) successfully completed a course in safety training [administered by the commissioner] 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 [only] 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.
- (c) Any town or regional school district may require its school bus operators to have completed a safety training course in the operation of school buses, consisting of a minimum of ten hours of behind-the-wheel instruction and three hours of classroom instruction.
- (d) A carrier shall require each person whom it intends to employ to operate a school bus, as defined in section 14-275, or a student transportation vehicle, as defined in section 14-212, to submit to a urinalysis drug test in accordance with the provisions of sections 31-51v and 31-51w and shall require each person it employs to operate such vehicles to submit to a urinalysis drug test on a random basis in accordance with the provisions of section 31-51x and the standards set forth in 49 CFR Parts 382 and 391. No carrier may employ any person who has received a positive test result for such test which was confirmed as provided in subdivisions (2) and (3) of section 31-51u. No carrier may continue to employ as a driver, for two years, any person who has received a positive test result for such test which was confirmed as provided in subdivisions (2) and (3) of subsection (a) of section 31-51u. No carrier may continue to employ as a driver, permanently, any person who has received a second positive test result for such test which was confirmed as provided in subdivisions (2) and (3) of



subsection (a) of section 31-51u. The commissioner may, after notice and hearing, impose a civil penalty of not more than one thousand dollars for the first offense and two thousand five hundred dollars for each subsequent offense on any carrier which violates any provision of this subsection.

Sec. 11. Section 14-46b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

- (a) There is established within the department a Motor Vehicle Operator's License Medical Advisory Board [which] that shall advise the commissioner on the medical aspects and concerns of licensing operators of motor vehicles. The board members shall consist of not less than eight [members] or more than fifteen [members] medical professionals appointed by the commissioner [from a list of nominees submitted by the Connecticut State Medical Society, the Connecticut Association of Optometrists, and such other professional medical associations or organizations that have as members physician assistants or advanced practice registered nurses. The Connecticut State Medical Society and such other organizations shall submit nominees] representing the specialties of (1) general medicine or surgery, (2) internal medicine, (3) cardiovascular medicine, (4) neurology or neurological surgery, (5) ophthalmology and optometry, (6) orthopedics, (7) psychiatry, and (8) occupational medicine. [The Connecticut Association of Optometrists shall submit nominees representing the specialty of optometry.]
- (b) Initially, three members shall be appointed for a two-year term, three members for a three-year term and the remainder of the members for a four-year term. Appointments thereafter shall be for four-year terms. Any vacancy shall be filled by the commissioner for the unexpired portion of a term. The commissioner shall designate the chairman of the board.
- (c) Board members shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses or services incurred in performing their duties, including the giving of testimony at any administrative hearing when requested by the commissioner. Medical professionals who are not members of the board and conduct examinations at the request of the board shall be compensated for these examinations.
- (d) The board shall meet at the call of the commissioner at least annually. Special meetings may be held to fulfill the responsibilities specified in section 14-46c.
- (e) Any meeting of the board in which the medical condition of any individual is discussed for purposes of making a recommendation on his or her fitness to operate a motor vehicle shall be held in executive session.



(f) As used in this section and section 14-46c, "medical professional" means a licensed physician, physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse or optometrist.





Agency Legislative Proposal - 2019 Session

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Title of Proposal: An Act Concerning the Duration of an Operator's License and Non-Driver

Identity Card

Statutory Reference: 1-1h; 14-41; 14-41a

Proposal Summary:

Section 1- Revises section 1-1h. Authorizes the commissioner, on renewal, to issue a non-driver identification card for a period up to eight years. Adjusts fee proportionately.

Section 2- Revises section 14-41. Authorizes the commissioner, on renewal, to issue a license for a period up to eight years. Adjusts fee proportionately.

Section 3-Revises section 14-41a. Authorizes a person over age 65 to select a two-year license or an eight-year license. Currently, they may select a two-year license or a six-year license.

PROPOSAL BACKGROUND

◊ Reason for Proposal

Please consider the following, if applicable:

- (1) Have there been changes in federal/state/local laws and regulations that make this legislation necessary?
- (2) Has this proposal or something similar been implemented in other states? If yes, what is the outcome(s)?
- (3) Have certain constituencies called for this action?
- (4) What would happen if this was not enacted in law this session?

The purpose is to reduce wait times at the Department by increasing the amount of time between license and identity card renewals.



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This p	roposal was included in DMV's	legislative package in 2017. It	was approved by administration and was in
the ini	tial version of DMV's bill, SB85	60 (sections 1 and 6), but was re	emoved from the joint favorable substitute as
it was	opposed by certain Transporta	ation Committee members.	

PROPOSAL IMPACT

♦ AGENCIES AFFECTED (please list for each affected agency)

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Summary of Affected Agency's Comments
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Sec. 1. Subsection (b) of section 1-1h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January* 1, 2020):

(a) Any person who does not possess a valid motor vehicle operator's license may apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles for an identity card. The application for an identity card shall be accompanied by the birth certificate of the applicant or a certificate of identification of the applicant issued and authorized for such use by the Department of Correction. Such application shall include: (1) The applicant's name; (2) the applicant's address; (3) whether the address is permanent or temporary; (4) the applicant's date of birth; (5) notice to the applicant that false statements on such application are punishable under section 53a-157b; and (6) such other pertinent information as the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles deems necessary. A fee of twenty-two dollars and fifty cents shall be paid to the department upon issuance to the applicant of an identity card [which] that shall expire six years after issuance. Each such card shall indicate its date of expiration, contain[s] a picture of the applicant and [specifies] specify the applicant's height, sex and eye color. The applicant shall sign the application in the presence of an official of the department. The commissioner may waive the fee for any applicant (A) who has voluntarily surrendered such applicant's motor vehicle operator's license, (B) whose license has been refused by the commissioner pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection (e) of section 14-36, (C) who is both a veteran, as defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103, and blind, as defined in subsection (a) of section 1-1f, or (D) who is a resident of a homeless shelter or other facility for homeless persons. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54,1 to establish the procedure and qualifications for the issuance of an identity card to any such homeless applicant.



- (b) [An identity card shall expire within a period not exceeding six years from the date of issuance of such card. Each such card shall indicate its date of expiration.] Any person who holds an identity card may be notified by the commissioner before its expiration and may renew such card in such manner as the commissioner shall prescribe [upon payment of a fee of twenty-two dollars and fifty cents]. Upon renewal, the commissioner may issue an identity card for a period to be determined by the commissioner, provided such period does not exceed eight years. The fee for the renewal of an identity card with an expiration date of eight years from the issuance date shall be thirty dollars. The Commissioner shall charge a prorated amount of such fee for an identity card that expires less than eight years from the date of issuance. The commissioner shall not provide notification by mail to the holder of an identity card if the United States Postal Service has determined that mail is undeliverable to such person at the address for such person that is in the records of the department.
- (c) A distinctive identity card shall be issued to any applicant less than twenty-one years of age. The identity card shall contain a statement that it is issued subject to the same verification of the applicant's identity as required for the issuance of a motor vehicle operator's license. The card may thereafter be exhibited to establish the age and identity of the person to whom it was issued.
- (d) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, in consultation with the Liquor Control Commission, shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of this section and section 30-86.
- (e) Any person who misrepresents his age or practices any other deceit in the procurement of an identity card, or uses or exhibits an identity card belonging to any other person, shall be guilty of a class D misdemeanor.
- Sec. 2. Section 14-41 of the general statutes as amended by public act 18-164 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):
- (a) Upon every other renewal of a motor vehicle operator's license or identity card issued [pursuant to] <u>under section 14-36 or</u> section 1-1h, <u>as amended by this act</u>, the commissioner may issue such license or identity card without the personal appearance of the licensee or identity card holder if (1) such licensee or identity card holder has a digital image on file with the commissioner, and (2) such licensee or identity card holder has fulfilled all other requirements for such renewal.
- (b) An original operator's license <u>issued under section 14-36</u> shall expire within a period not exceeding six years following the date of the operator's next birthday. The fee for such license shall be seventy-two dollars. <u>Upon renewal of such license</u>, the commissioner may issue a license for a period to be determined by the commissioner, provided such period does not exceed eight years. The fee for the renewal of a license that expires eight years from the issuance date shall be ninety-six dollars. The Commissioner shall charge a prorated amount of such fee for a license that expires less than eight years from the date of issuance. The commissioner may authorize a contractor, including, but not



limited to, an automobile club or association, licensed in accordance with the provisions of section 14-67 on or before July 1, 2007, or any municipality, to issue duplicate licenses and identity cards pursuant to section 14-50a, renew licenses, renew identity cards issued pursuant to section 1-1h, as amended by this act, and conduct registration transactions at its office facilities. The commissioner may authorize such contractors and municipalities to charge a convenience fee, which shall not exceed eight dollars, to each applicant for a license or identity card renewal or duplication, or for a registration transaction.

- (c) Any previously licensed operator who fails to renew a motor vehicle operator's license in accordance with subsection (b) of this section shall be charged a late fee of twenty-five dollars upon renewal of such operator's license.
- (d) The commissioner may, at least fifteen days before the date on which each motor vehicle operator's license or identity card expires, notify the holder of such license or identity card of the expiration date, in a manner determined by the commissioner. The commissioner shall not provide such notification by mail to any such licensee or identity card holder if the United States Postal Service has determined that mail is undeliverable to the address for such person that is documented in the records of the Department of Motor Vehicles. Any previously licensed operator who operates a motor vehicle within sixty days after the expiration date of the operator's license without obtaining a renewal of the license shall be fined in accordance with the amount designated for the infraction of failure to renew a motor vehicle operator's license. Any operator so charged shall not be prosecuted under section 14-36 for the same act constituting a violation under this section but section 14-36 shall apply after the sixty-day period.
- (e) On and after January 1, 2013, the commissioner may extend the expiration date of an operator's license or identity card for a period of six months when such licensee or identity card holder presents documentation satisfactory to the commissioner that such person was out of the state during the renewal period for such license or identity card, or when the commissioner requires additional time to determine whether such person qualifies for a renewal. The fee for such extension shall be the same as that for a duplicate license under section 14-50a and no part of such fee shall be subject to refund. The commissioner shall not grant more than one extension to any such person pursuant to this subsection.
- (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1-3a, if the expiration date of any motor vehicle operator's license or any public passenger endorsement, as defined in section 14-1, falls on any day when offices of the commissioner are closed for business or are open for less than a full business day, the license or permit shall be deemed valid until midnight of the next day on which offices of the commissioner are open for a full day of business.
- Sec. 3. Section 14-41a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*)

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An individual sixty-five years of age or older may renew a motor vehicle operator's license for either a two-year period or [a six-year period] the renewal period authorized by the commissioner under subsection (b) of section 14-41, as amended by this act. The fee for any license issued for a two-year period shall be twenty-four dollars.





Amended Agency Legislative Proposal - 2019 Session

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State Agency: Department of Motor Vehicles

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Title of Proposal: An Act Concerning the Duration of a Motor Vehicle Registration

Statutory Reference: Various

Proposal Summary:

Increases the duration of a motor vehicle registration, for certain types of vehicles, from two years to three years. Increases fees proportionally, including Clean Air Act and Passport to Parks fees. Implementation date for all sections that establish triennial registration is January 1, 2020.

SECTION	STATUTE CHANGE	REASON
1	14-1	Eliminate obsolete definition of "high mileage vehicle"
2	14-12	-Clarifies that dealers may perform registration functions for casual sales
		for a convenience fee
		- Makes technical changes
3	14-12 <i>o</i>	Resets the fee on a courtesy registration as a prorated amount of a 3
		year registration
4	14-22	-Makes registration renewals two years or three years at the discretion
		of the commissioner, and provides for staggered renewals
		-Eliminates obsolete language regarding renewal of registrations by
		phone
		-Over 65 renewal option remains the same (one year)
5	14-25c	Establishes registration fees, for STVs that are passenger vehicles, that
		are a portion of the triennial fee for passenger registrations;
		Conforming.



6	14-48d	Establishes that fees for lease vehicles are prorated based upon triennial
		registration fees
7	14-49	Establishes triennial fees for: passenger; motorcycles; combination
		registrations; electric vehicles; camp trailers; farm vehicles; campers
		-Repeals subsection (x) relating to high mileage vehicles (see section 1)
		-Adds language so registration fees are refunded on a triennial
		registration when there is eighteen months or more remaining on the
		registration
8	14-49b	Increases proportionally the Clean Air Act fee and Passport to Parks fee
		for a triennial registration
9	14-381	Establishes triennial registration for snowmobiles and ATVs
10	14-212	Eliminates definition of "high mileage vehicle"
11	14-286	Removes reference to "high mileage vehicle"
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PROPOSAL BACKGROUND

Reason for Proposal

Please consider the following, if applicable:

- (1) Have there been changes in federal/state/local laws and regulations that make this legislation necessary?
- (2) Has this proposal or something similar been implemented in other states? If yes, what is the outcome(s)?
- (3) Have certain constituencies called for this action?
- (4) What would happen if this was not enacted in law this session?

The purpose is to reduce wait times at the Department by increasing the amount of time between motor vehicle registration renewals.

◊	Origin of Proposal	☑ New Proposal	☐ Resubmission
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PROPOSAL IMPACT



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Sec. 1. Section 14-1 as amended by section 3 of public act 18-165 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

[(44) "High-mileage vehicle" means a motor vehicle having the following characteristics: (A) Not less than three wheels in contact with the ground; (B) a completely enclosed seat on which the driver sits; (C) a single or two cylinder, gasoline or diesel engine or an electric-powered engine; and (D) efficient fuel consumption;]

Remaining section should be renumbered accordingly

Sec. 2. Section 14-12 of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) No motor vehicle shall be operated, towed or parked on any highway, except as otherwise expressly provided, unless it is registered with the commissioner, provided any motor vehicle may be towed for repairs or necessary work if it bears the markers of a licensed and registered dealer, manufacturer or repairer and provided any motor vehicle which is validly registered in another state may, for a period of sixty days following establishment by the owner of residence in this state, be operated on any highway without first being registered with the commissioner. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, (1) a person commits an infraction if such person (A) registers a motor vehicle he or she does not own, or (B) operates, allows the operation of, parks or allows the parking of an unregistered motor vehicle on any highway, or (2) a resident of this state who operates or parks a motor vehicle such resident owns with marker plates issued by another state on any highway shall be fined one thousand dollars. If the owner of a motor vehicle previously registered [on an annual or biennial basis], the registration of which expired not more than thirty days previously, operates, allows the operation of, parks or allows that parking of such a motor vehicle, such owner shall be fined the amount designated for the infraction of failure to renew a registration, but the right to retain his or her operator's license shall not be affected. No operator other than the owner shall be subject to penalty for the operation or parking of such a previously registered motor vehicle. As used in this subsection, the term "unregistered motor vehicle" includes any vehicle that is not eligible for registration by the commissioner due to the absence of necessary equipment or other characteristics of the vehicle that make it unsuitable for highway operation, unless the operation of such vehicle is expressly permitted by another provision of this chapter or chapter 248.



- (b) To obtain a motor vehicle registration, except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the owner shall file in the office of the commissioner an application signed by [him] <u>such owner</u> and containing such information and proof of ownership as the commissioner may require. The application shall be made on blanks furnished by the commissioner. The blanks shall be in such form and contain such provisions and information as the commissioner may determine.
- (c) The commissioner may, for the more efficient administration of the commissioner's duties, appoint licensed dealers meeting qualifications established by the commissioner pursuant to regulations adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to issue new registrations for passenger motor vehicles, motorcycles, campers, camp trailers, commercial trailers, service buses, school buses, trucks or other vehicle types as determined by the commissioner when they are sold by a licensed dealer, or to renew registrations for such vehicle types whether or not they were originally sold by a licensed dealer. (1) For new registrations, [T]the commissioner shall charge such dealer a fee of ten dollars for each new dealer issue form furnished for the purposes of this subsection. A person purchasing a motor vehicle or other vehicle type as determined by the commissioner from a dealer so appointed and registering such vehicle pursuant to this section shall file an application with the dealer and pay, to the dealer, a fee in accordance with the provisions of section 14-49, as amended by this act. The commissioner shall prescribe the time and manner in which the application and fee shall be transmitted to the commissioner. (2) For registration renewals, the dealer may charge the registrant the convenience fee established in subsection (b) of section 14-41.
- (d) A motor vehicle registration certificate issued upon an application containing any material false statement is void from the date of its issue and shall be surrendered, upon demand, with any number plate or plates, to the commissioner. Any money paid for the registration certificate shall be forfeited to the state. No person shall obtain or attempt to obtain any registration for another by misrepresentation or impersonation and any registration so obtained shall be void. The commissioner may require each applicant for a motor vehicle registration to furnish personal identification satisfactory to the commissioner and may require any applicant who has established residence in this state for more than thirty days to obtain a motor vehicle operator's license, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of section 14-36, or an identification card issued pursuant to section 1-1h. Any person who violates any provision of this subsection and any person who fails to surrender a falsely obtained motor vehicle registration or number plate or plates upon the demand of the commissioner shall be fined not more than two hundred dollars.
- (e) The commissioner may register any motor vehicle under the provisions of this chapter, may assign a distinguishing registration number to the registered motor vehicle and may then issue a certificate of registration to the owner. A certificate of registration shall contain the



registration number assigned to the motor vehicle and its vehicle identification number and shall be in such form and contain such further information as the commissioner determines.

- (f) (1) The commissioner may refuse to register or issue a certificate of title for a motor vehicle or class of motor vehicles if he <u>or she</u> determines that the characteristics of the motor vehicle or class of motor vehicles make it unsafe for highway operation. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this subsection and the provisions of subsection (h) of this section.
- (2) The commissioner shall not register a motor vehicle if he <u>or she</u> knows that the motor vehicle's equipment fails to comply with the provisions of this chapter, provided nothing contained in this section shall preclude the commissioner from issuing one or more temporary registrations for a motor vehicle not previously registered in this state or from issuing a temporary registration for a motor vehicle under a trade name without a certified copy of the notice required by section 35-1.
- (3) The commissioner shall not register any motor vehicle, except a platform truck the motive power of which is electricity, or a tractor equipped with solid tires, if it is not equipped with lighting devices as prescribed by this chapter. The registration of any motor vehicle which is not equipped with such prescribed lighting devices is void and money paid for the registration shall be forfeited to the state. Nothing in this subdivision shall prevent the commissioner, at his <u>or her</u> discretion, from registering a motor vehicle not equipped with certain lighting devices if the operation of the vehicle is restricted to daylight use.
- (4) The commissioner shall not register any motor vehicle or a combination of a motor vehicle and a trailer or semitrailer [which] that exceeds the limits specified in section 14-267a.
- (5) [On or after October 1, 1984, no] <u>No</u> motor vehicle registration shall be issued by the commissioner for any motorcycle unless the application for registration is accompanied by sufficient proof, as determined by the commissioner, that the motorcycle is insured for the amounts required by section 14-289f.
- (6) The commissioner shall not register any motor vehicle which is subject to the federal heavy vehicle use tax imposed under Section 4481 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, if the applicant fails to furnish proof of payment of such tax, in a form prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States.
- (g) The commissioner may elect not to register any motor vehicle which is ten or more model years old and which has not been previously registered in this state until the same has been presented, as directed by the commissioner, at the main office or a branch office of the



Department of Motor Vehicles or to any designated official emissions inspection station or other business or firm, authorized by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to conduct safety inspections, and has passed the inspection as to its safety features as required by the commissioner. When a motor vehicle owned by a resident of this state is garaged in another jurisdiction and cannot be conveniently presented at an office of the Department of Motor Vehicles, an authorized emissions inspection station or other facility, the commissioner may accept an inspection made by authorities in such other jurisdiction or by appropriate military authorities, provided the commissioner determines that such inspection is comparable to that conducted by the Department of Motor Vehicles. If the commissioner authorizes the contractor that operates the system of official emissions inspection stations or other business or firm to conduct the safety inspections required by this subsection, the commissioner may authorize the contractor or other business or firm to charge a fee, not to exceed fifteen dollars, for each such inspection. The commissioner may authorize any motor vehicle dealer or repairer, licensed in accordance with section 14-52 and meeting qualifications established by the commissioner, to perform an inspection required by this section or to make repairs to any motor vehicle that has failed an initial safety inspection and to certify to the commissioner that the motor vehicle is in compliance with the safety and equipment standards for registration. No such authorized dealer or repairer shall charge any additional fee to make such certification to the commissioner. If the commissioner authorizes any such dealer or repairer to conduct safety inspections, such licensee may provide written certification to the commissioner, in such form and manner as the commissioner prescribes, as to compliance of any motor vehicle in its inventory with safety and equipment standards and such certification may be accepted by the commissioner as meeting the inspection requirements of this subsection.

- (h) The commissioner shall not register any motor vehicle unless it meets the equipment related registration requirements contained in sections 14-80, 14-100, 14-100a, 14-100b, 14-106a and 14-275.
- (i) The commissioner or any city, town, borough or other taxing district authorized under subsection (f) of section 14-33 may issue a temporary registration to the owner of a motor vehicle. The application for a temporary registration shall conform to the provisions of this section. A temporary registration may be issued for a time <u>period</u> determined by the commissioner and may be renewed from time to time at the discretion of the commissioner. The fee for a temporary registration or any renewal thereof shall be as provided in subsection (n) of section 14-49, as amended by this act.
- (j) The commissioner may issue a special use registration to the owner of a motor vehicle for a period not to exceed thirty days for the sole purpose of driving such vehicle to another state in which the vehicle is to be registered and exclusively used. The application for such registration shall conform to the provisions of subsection (b) of this section. The commissioner



may issue special use certificates and plates in such form as he <u>or she</u> may determine. The special use certificate shall state such limitation on the operation of such vehicle and shall be carried in the vehicle at all times when it is being operated on any highway.

- (k) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a), (b) and (e) of this section, the commissioner shall issue to a municipality, as defined in section 7-245, or a regional solid waste authority comprised of several municipalities, upon receipt of an application by the municipality or regional solid waste authority, a general distinguishing number plate for use on a motor vehicle owned or leased by such municipality or regional solid waste authority.
- (l) Not later than January 1, 2018, the Department of Motor Vehicles shall record the number of electric vehicles, as defined in section 16-19eee, registered in the state. This data shall be publicly available on the department's Internet web site and shall include (1) the number of electric vehicles registered in the state each year, and (2) the total number of electric vehicles registered in the state. The department shall update this information every six months.
- Sec. 3. Subsection (b) of section 14-120 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):
- (b) For six months or any part thereof, the fee for a courtesy registration shall be <u>one-sixth of</u> the amount specified for a three-year permanent registration, one-quarter of the amount specified for a two-year permanent registration and one-half of the amount specified for a one-year permanent registration. The owner of a motor vehicle with a courtesy registration may receive a permanent registration upon presentation of documents to the commissioner demonstrating proof of ownership. No part of the fee paid for a courtesy registration shall be refunded or applied to the fee for the permanent registration of the motor vehicle.
- Sec. 4. Section 14-22 of the general statutes as amended by public act 18-164 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):
- (a) Except as otherwise specified in the general statutes, a motor vehicle registration shall expire either two years or three years from the date of issuance, at the discretion of the commissioner. A motor vehicle registration issued pursuant to this chapter shall expire in accordance with schedules established by the commissioner. Such schedules may include a staggered renewal of registrations. If the expiration date of the registration of the motor vehicle, except the registration of a motor vehicle used to transport passengers for hire, falls on any day when offices of the commissioner are closed for business, the registration shall be deemed valid for the operation of the motor vehicle until midnight of the next day on which offices of the commissioner are open for business. The commissioner shall prescribe the date and manner of renewing registrations. Not less than thirty days prior to the expiration of any



valid registration, the department shall send or transmit, in such manner as the commissioner determines, an application for renewal to the registrant. In the case of a motor vehicle registered to a leasing company licensed pursuant to section 14-15, the department may send or transmit, in such manner as the commissioner determines, an application for renewal of a leased vehicle to the lessee of such vehicle. The commissioner shall not be required to send or transmit a registrant's or lessee's application by mail if the United States Postal Service has determined that mail is undeliverable to such person at the address for such person that is in the records of the department. Except for the processing of such application at an official emissions inspection station as provided in subsection (b) of this section [or by telephone as provided in subsection (c) of this section], the commissioner may require that the application be returned electronically or by mail in order to be processed and approved, with only such exceptions, on a hardship basis, as shall be established by the commissioner in regulations adopted pursuant to chapter 54.

- (b) The commissioner may provide for the renewal of passenger registrations at official emissions inspection stations established pursuant to chapter 246a in accordance with schedules established by [him] the commissioner [which shall provide that expirations of registrations and emissions stickers occur on the same date]. The commissioner may employ the services of the independent contractor which operates the system of official emissions inspection stations to process such applications for renewal in accordance with standards and procedures established by the commissioner.
- [(c) The commissioner may provide for the renewal of the registration of any motor vehicle by means of a telephone request and order by the registrant. The commissioner may charge a service fee of five dollars, in addition to the fee prescribed for the renewal of the registration, for each application for renewal processed by telephone. Such service fee shall be used to cover the costs incurred in processing such applications. Any funds in excess of those necessary for the processing of such applications shall be deposited in the General Fund. Each registrant who elects to renew by telephone shall sign the certificate of registration, attesting to the information contained therein under penalty of false statement, as provided in section 53a-157b, when the certificate is issued by the commissioner. Any such certificate which is not signed shall be void. The commissioner may employ the services of an independent contractor or contractors to process such applications for renewal and provide any equipment or system necessary for such purpose.]
- [(d)] (c) The registration fee for a registration that expires two years from the date of issuance shall be a prorated amount of the fee for a triennial registration. If the adoption of a staggered system results in the expiration of any registration more than two or three years from its issuance, a prorated amount of the registration fee paid shall be charged in addition to the [biennial] registration fee.



Sec. 5. Section 14-25c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall issue distinctive registration marker plates to each motor vehicle, except a taxicab or motor vehicle in livery service, that is used as a student transportation vehicle, as defined in section 14-212. Each such registration of a student transportation vehicle shall be issued for a period of one year and, subject to the provisions of subsection (d) of section 14-103, may be renewed by the owner, in accordance with schedules established by the commissioner. The fee for such registration or for any renewal thereof shall be determined as follows: (1) In the case of any such motor vehicle designed as a service bus, the fee shall be one-half of the fee prescribed for the registration of a service bus, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (p) of section 14-49, as amended by this act, and (2) in the case of any such motor vehicle designed as a passenger motor vehicle, the fee shall be one-half of the fee prescribed for the biennial registration of a passenger motor vehicle or one-third of the fee prescribed for the triennial registration of a passenger motor vehicle, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 14-49, as amended by this act.

Sec. 6. Section 14-48d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 14-22, as amended by this act, and subsection (a) of section 14-49, as amended by this act, concerning the [biennial] triennial period for the registration of a passenger motor vehicle, and for the registration of certain other motor vehicles not used for commercial purposes, the commissioner may issue a registration for any such motor vehicle that is owned by a person, firm or corporation licensed in accordance with the provisions of section 14-15 and that is the subject of a lease agreement, for a period not to exceed five years, to coincide with the term of such lease agreement. The fee for any such registration shall be adjusted and prorated on the basis of the fee prescribed for a [biennial] triennial registration. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 7. Section 14-49 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

(a) For the registration of each passenger motor vehicle, other than an electric motor vehicle, the fee shall be [eighty] one hundred twenty dollars every [two] three years, provided any individual who is sixty-five years of age or older [on or after January 1, 1981,] may, at his or her discretion, renew the registration of such passenger motor vehicle owned by [him] such individual for either a one-year period or [two-year] for the full registration period. The registration fee shall be prorated accordingly for any such registration that is renewed for a



one-year period. The triennial fee [for one year shall be forty dollars, and the fee for two years shall be eighty dollars, provided the biennial fee] for any motor vehicle for which special license plates have been issued under the provisions of section 14-20 shall be [eighty] one hundred twenty dollars. The provisions of this subsection relative to the [biennial] triennial fee charged for the registration of each antique, rare or special interest motor vehicle for which special license plates have been issued under section 14-20 shall not apply to an antique fire apparatus or transit bus owned by a nonprofit organization and maintained primarily for use in parades, exhibitions or other public events but not for purposes of general transportation.

- (b) (1) For the registration of each motorcycle, the [biennial] triennial fee shall be [forty-two] sixty-three dollars, subject to the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection. For the registration of each motorcycle with side car or box attached used for commercial purposes, the [biennial] triennial fee shall be [sixty] ninety dollars. The commissioner may register a motorcycle with a side car under one registration which shall cover the use of such motorcycle with or without such side car. (2) [Four] Six dollars of the total fee with respect to the registration of each motorcycle shall, when entered upon the records of the Special Transportation Fund, be deemed to be appropriated to the Department of Transportation for purposes of continuing the program of motorcycle rider education formerly funded under the federal Highway Safety Act of 1978, 23 USC 402.
- (c) For the registration of each taxicab or motor vehicle in livery service, with a seating capacity of seven or less, the commissioner shall charge a biennial fee of two hundred sixty-six dollars. When the seating capacity of such motor vehicle is more than seven, there shall be added to the amount herein provided the sum of four dollars for each seat so in excess.
- (d) For the registration of each motor bus, except a motor bus owned and operated by a multiple-state passenger carrier as hereinafter defined, the commissioner shall charge a fee of forty-seven dollars and such registration shall be sufficient for all types of operation under this chapter. On and after July 1, 2011, the fee shall be fifty-six dollars. For the registration of motor buses owned or operated by a multiple-state passenger carrier, the commissioner shall charge registration fees based on the rate of one dollar per hundredweight of the gross weight, such gross weight to be computed by adding the light weight of the vehicle fully equipped for service to one hundred fifty pounds per passenger for the rated seating capacity, plus the sum of thirty-four dollars, and on and after July 1, 2011, one dollar and twenty-five cents plus the sum of forty-two dollars. The fee in each case shall be determined on an apportionment basis commensurate with the use of the highways of this state as herein provided. The commissioner shall require the registration of that percentage of the motor buses of such multiple-state passenger carrier operating into or through the state which the mileage of such motor buses actually operated in the state bears to the total mileage of all



such motor buses operated both within and without the state. Such percentage figures shall be the mileage factor. In computing the registration fees on the number of such motor buses which are allocated to the state for registration purposes under the foregoing formula, the commissioner shall first compute the amount that the registration fees would be if all such motor buses were in fact subject to registration in the state, and then apply to such amount the mileage factor above referred to, provided, if the foregoing formula or method of allocation results in apportioning a lesser or greater number of motor buses or amount of registration fees to the state than the state under all of the facts is fairly entitled to, then a formula that will fairly apportion such registration fees to the state shall be determined and used by the commissioner. Said mileage factor shall be computed prior to March first of each year by using the mileage records of operations of such motor buses operating both within and without the state for the twelve-month period, or portion thereof, ending on August thirty-first next preceding the commencement of the registration year for which registration is sought. If there were no operations in the state during any part of such preceding twelvemonth period, the commissioner shall proceed under the provisions of subsection (a) of article IV of section 14-365. In apportioning the number of motor buses to be registered in the state, as provided herein, any fractional part of a motor bus shall be treated as a whole motor bus and shall be registered and licensed as such. Any motor bus operated both within and without the state which is not required to be registered in the state under the provisions of this section shall nevertheless be identified as a part of the fleet of the multiple-state passenger carrier and the commissioner shall adopt an appropriate method of identification of such motor buses owned and operated by such carrier. The identification of all such motor buses by the commissioner as above required shall be considered the same as the registration of such motor buses under this chapter. The substitution from time to time of one motor bus for another by a multiple-state passenger carrier shall not require registration thereof in the state as long as the substitution does not increase the aggregate number of motor buses employed in the operation of such carrier, provided all such motor buses substituted for others shall be immediately reported to and identification issued for the same by the commissioner and, if a registration fee is required to be paid for such substituted motor bus, the same shall be promptly paid. As used in this subsection, the phrase "multiple-state passenger carrier" means and includes any person, firm or corporation authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission or its successor agency to engage in the business of the transportation of passengers for hire by motor buses, both within and without the state.

(e) (1) For the registration of a passenger motor vehicle used in part for commercial purposes, except any pick-up truck having a gross vehicle weight rating of less than twelve thousand five hundred pounds, the commissioner shall charge a [biennial] <u>triennial</u> fee of [eighty-eight] <u>one hundred thirty two</u> dollars and shall issue combination registration to such vehicle. (2) For the registration of a school bus, the commissioner shall charge an annual fee



of one hundred seven dollars for a type I school bus and sixty-four dollars for a type II school bus. (3) For the registration of a motor vehicle when used in part for commercial purposes and as a passenger motor vehicle or of a motor vehicle having a seating capacity greater than ten and not used for the conveyance of passengers for hire, the commissioner shall charge a biennial fee for gross weight as for commercial registration, as outlined in section 14-47, plus the sum of fourteen dollars and shall issue combination registration to such vehicle. (4) Each vehicle registered as combination shall be issued a number plate bearing the word "combination". No vehicle registered as combination may have a gross vehicle weight rating in excess of twelve thousand five hundred pounds. (5) For the triennial registration of a pick-up truck having a gross vehicle weight rating of less than twelve thousand five hundred pounds that is not used in part for commercial purposes, the commissioner shall charge a biennial fee for gross weight as for commercial registration, as provided in section 14-47, multiplied by one and one-half, plus the sum of [fourteen] twenty-one dollars. The commissioner may issue passenger registration to any such vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of eight thousand five hundred pounds or less.

- (f) For the registration of each electric motor vehicle, the commissioner shall charge a fee of [thirty-eight] <u>fifty-seven</u> dollars [biennially] <u>triennially or a prorated amount if the registration period is less than three years</u>.
- (g) For the registration of all motorcycles, registered under a general distinguishing number and mark, owned or operated by, or in the custody of, a manufacturer of, dealer in or repairer of motorcycles, there shall be charged an annual fee at the rate of [thirty-one] thirty-seven dollars for each set of number plates furnished. [On and after July 1, 2011, the fee shall be thirty-seven dollars.]
- (h) The minimum annual fee for any commercial registration of a motor vehicle not equipped with pneumatic tires shall be [fifty] <u>sixty</u> dollars. [On and after July 1, 2011, the fee shall be sixty dollars.]
- (i) For the transfer of the registration of a motor vehicle previously registered, except as provided in subsection (e) of section 14-16 and subsection (c) of section 14-253a, there shall be charged a fee of twenty-one dollars.
- (j) Repealed by 1972, P.A. 255, S. 6.
- (k) For the registration of each motor hearse used exclusively for transportation of the dead, the commissioner shall charge a fee of [thirty-one] <u>thirty-seven</u> dollars. [On and after July 1, 2011, the fee shall be thirty-seven dollars.] The commissioner may furnish distinguishing number plates for any motor hearse.



- (*l*) The fee for the registration of each truck to be used between parts of an industrial plant, as provided in section 13a-117, shall be [twenty-five] thirty dollars for the first two hundred feet of the public highway, the use of which is granted by such permit[, and on and after July 1, 2011, the fee shall be thirty dollars]. For each additional two hundred feet or fraction thereof, the fee shall be eleven dollars, and on and after July 1, 1992, the fee shall be twelve dollars.
- (m) (1) For the registration of a trailer used exclusively for camping or any other recreational purpose, the commissioner shall charge a [biennial] triennial fee of [sixteen] twenty-eight dollars and fifty cents. [On and after July 1, 2011, the fee shall be nineteen dollars.] (2) For any other trailer or semitrailer not drawn by a truck-tractor [he] the commissioner shall charge the same fee as prescribed for commercial registrations in section 14-47, provided the fee for a heavy duty trailer, a crane or any other heavy construction equipment shall be three hundred twenty-six dollars for each year; except that the registration fee for each motor vehicle classed as a tractor-crane and equipped with rubber tires shall be one-half the fee charged for the gross weight of commercial vehicles.
- (n) For each temporary registration of a motor vehicle not used for commercial purposes, or renewal of such registration, the commissioner shall charge a fee computed at the rate of twenty-one dollars for each ten-day period, or part thereof. For each temporary registration of a motor vehicle used for commercial purposes, or renewal of such registration, the commissioner shall charge a fee computed at the rate of twenty-seven dollars for each ten-day period, or part thereof, if the motor vehicle has a gross vehicle weight rating of six thousand pounds or less. For each temporary registration of a motor vehicle used for commercial purposes, or renewal of such registration, the commissioner shall charge a fee computed at the rate of forty-nine dollars for each ten-day period, or part thereof, if the motor vehicle has a gross vehicle weight rating of more than six thousand pounds.
- (o) No registration fee shall be charged in respect to any motor vehicle owned by a municipality, as defined in section 7-245, any other governmental agency or a military agency and used exclusively for the conduct of official business. No registration fee shall be charged for any motor vehicle owned by or leased to a transit district and used exclusively to provide public transportation. No fee shall be charged for the registration of ambulances owned by hospitals or any nonprofit civic organization approved by the commissioner, but a fee of twenty dollars shall be charged for the inspection of any such ambulance. No fee shall be charged for the registration of fire department apparatus as provided by section 14-19. No registration fee shall be charged to a disabled veteran, as defined in section 14-254, residing in this state for the registration of three passenger, camper or passenger and commercial motor vehicles leased or owned by such veteran in any registration year, provided such vehicles shall not be used for hire. No registration fee shall be charged for any motor vehicle leased to an agency of this state on or after June 4, 1982.



- (p) For the registration of a service bus owned by an individual, firm or corporation, exclusive of any nonprofit charitable, religious, educational or community service organization, and used for the transportation of persons without charge, the commissioner shall charge a fee of two hundred thirteen dollars for vehicles having a seating capacity of sixteen passengers or less, including the driver, and seven hundred forty-seven dollars for vehicles having a seating capacity of more than sixteen passengers. For the registration of any service bus owned by any nonprofit charitable, religious, educational or community service organization, the commissioner shall charge a fee of one hundred sixty dollars for vehicles having a seating capacity of sixteen passengers or less, and five hundred thirty-three dollars for vehicles having a seating capacity of more than sixteen passengers, provided such service bus is used exclusively for the purpose of transporting persons in relation to the purposes and activities of such organization. Each such registration shall be issued for a biennial period in accordance with a schedule established by the commissioner. Nothing herein contained shall affect the provisions of subsection (e) of this section.
- (q) The commissioner shall collect a [biennial] triennial fee of [thirty] forty-five dollars for the registration of each motor vehicle used exclusively for farming purposes or a prorated amount if the registration period is less than three years. No such motor vehicle may be used for the purpose of transporting goods for hire or taking the on-the-road skills test portion of the examination for a motor vehicle operator's license. No farm registration shall be issued to any person operating a farm that has gross annual sales of less than two thousand five hundred dollars in the calendar year preceding registration. The commissioner may issue a farm registration for a passenger motor vehicle under such conditions as said commissioner shall prescribe in regulations adopted in accordance with chapter 54. No motor vehicle issued a farm registration may be used to transport ten or more passengers on any highway unless such motor vehicle meets the requirements for equipment and mechanical condition set forth in this chapter, and, in the case of a vehicle used to transport more than fifteen passengers, including the driver, the applicable requirements of the Code of Federal Regulations, as adopted by the commissioner, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 14-163c. The operator of such motor vehicle used to transport ten or more passengers shall hold a public [transportation permit or] passenger endorsement issued in accordance with the provisions of section 14-44. Any farm registration used otherwise than as provided by this subsection shall be revoked.
- (r) Repealed by P.A. 73-549, §§ 2, 4.
- (s) A fee of sixty-nine dollars shall be charged in addition to the regular fee prescribed for the registration of a motor vehicle, including but not limited to any passenger motor vehicle or motorcycle, in accordance with this section for a number plate or plates for such vehicle bearing any combination of letters or numbers requested by the registrant and which may be



issued in the discretion of the commissioner, except in any case in which the number plates bear the official call letters of an amateur radio station. [On and after July 1, 2011, the fee shall be sixty-nine dollars.]

- (t) For the registration of each camper, the commissioner shall charge a [biennial] <u>triennial</u> fee of [seventy-five] <u>one-hundred twelve</u> dollars <u>and fifty cents</u>. The commissioner shall refund one-half of the registration fee for any camper registration if a person cancels such registration with [one year] <u>eighteen months</u> or more remaining until the expiration of such registration and requests such refund prior to the expiration of such registration.
- (u) Repealed by P.A. 85-81.
- (v) There shall be charged for each motor vehicle adult or youth instruction permit or renewal thereof a fee of nineteen dollars. There shall be charged for each motorcycle instruction permit or renewal thereof a fee of sixteen dollars.
- (w) In addition to the fee established for the issuance of motor vehicle number plates and except as provided in subsection (a) of section 14-21b and subsection (c) of section 14-253a, there shall be an additional safety fee of five dollars charged at the time of issuance of any reflectorized safety number plate or set of plates. All moneys derived from said safety fee shall be deposited in the Special Transportation Fund.
- [(x) For the registration of each high-mileage vehicle, the commissioner shall charge a fee of forty-seven dollars.]
- [(y)] (x) For each special use registration for a period of thirty days or less, the fee shall be twenty-one dollars.
- [(z)] (y) The commissioner shall assess a ten-dollar late fee for renewal of a motor vehicle registration in the event a registrant fails to renew his or her registration within five days after the expiration of such registration, except that no such fee shall be assessed for the late renewal of the registration, pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (m) of this section, of (1) a trailer used exclusively for camping or any other recreational purpose, or (2) a motor vehicle designed or permanently altered in such a way as to provide living quarters for travel or camping. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, if a registrant who is required to register a motor vehicle under section 14-34a fails to renew such registration not later than five days after the expiration date of such registration, the commissioner shall assess a late fee of one hundred fifty dollars.



[(aa)] (z) The commissioner shall refund one-half of the registration fee for any motor vehicle if a person cancels such registration with one year or more remaining until the expiration of [such] a biennial registration and eighteen months or more remaining until the expiration of a triennial registration, and requests such refund prior to the expiration of such registration.

Sec. 8. Section 14-49b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

- (a) For each new registration or renewal of registration of any motor vehicle with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles pursuant to this chapter, the person registering such vehicle shall pay to the commissioner a fee of fifteen dollars for registration for a triennial period, ten dollars for registration for a biennial period and five dollars for registration for an annual period, except that any individual who is sixty-five years of age or older on or after January 1, 1994, may, at the discretion of such individual, pay the fee for [either] a one-year [or twoyear] period, if such individual elects to obtain a one-year registration under subsection (a) of section 14-49, as amended by this act. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any motor vehicle that is not self-propelled, that is electrically powered, or that is exempted from payment of a registration fee. This fee may be identified as the "federal Clean Air Act fee" on any registration form provided by the commissioner. Payments collected pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be deposited as follows: (1) Fifty-seven and one-half per cent of such payments collected shall be deposited into the Special Transportation Fund established pursuant to section 13b-68, and (2) forty-two and one-half per cent of such payments collected shall be deposited into the General Fund. The fee required by this subsection is in addition to any other fees prescribed by any other provision of this title for the registration of a motor vehicle. No part of the federal Clean Air Act fee shall be subject to a refund under subsection [(aa)] (z) of section 14-49, as amended by this act.
- (b) For each new registration or renewal of registration of any motor vehicle with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles pursuant to this chapter, the person registering such vehicle shall pay to the commissioner a fee of <u>fifteen dollars for registration for a triennial period or</u> ten dollars for registration for a biennial period for the following registration types: Passenger, motorcycle, motor home, combination or antique. Any person who is sixty-five years or older and who obtains a one-year registration renewal under section 14-49, <u>as amended by this act</u>, for such registration type shall pay five dollars for the annual registration period. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any motor vehicle that is not self-propelled or that is exempted from payment of a registration fee. This fee shall be identified as the "Passport to the Parks Fee" on any registration form provided by the commissioner. Payments collected pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be deposited in the Passport to the Parks account established pursuant to section 23-15h. The fee required by this subsection is in addition to any other fees prescribed by any other provision



of this title for the registration of a motor vehicle. No part of the "Passport to the Parks Fee" shall be subject to a refund under subsection [(aa)] (z) of section 14-49, as amended by this act.

Sec. 9. Section 14-381 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

Any owner required to register a snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle shall apply to the commissioner and shall file evidence of ownership by affidavit or document. Upon receipt of an application in proper form and the registration fee, the commissioner shall assign an identification number and provide the owner with a certificate of registration and registration plate. The registration plate, which shall be affixed by the owner, shall be displayed on the snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle at a place and in a manner prescribed by the commissioner. In addition to such registration plate, each snowmobile and all-terrain vehicle so registered shall display its registration number on each side of its front section, midway between the top and bottom of said front section, in letters or numbers at least three inches in height and made of a reflective material. The certificate of registration shall be carried on such snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle and shall be available for inspection whenever such snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle is being operated. The owner shall pay a fee of [twenty] thirty dollars for a triennial registration for each snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle so registered, and a prorated amount if the registration period is less than three years. [Each such certificate of registration shall expire two years after the date such certificate of registration was issued.]

Sec. 10. Subsection 1 of section 14-212 of the general statues is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(1) The following terms shall be construed as they are defined in section 14-1: "Authorized emergency vehicle", "class 1 electric bicycle", "class 2 electric bicycle", "class 3 electric bicycle", "commissioner", "driver", "electric bicycle", "fuels", "gross weight", "head lamp", ["high-mileage vehicle",] "highway", "light weight", "limited access highway", "maintenance vehicle", "motor bus", "motorcycle", "motor vehicle registration", "nonresident", "nonskid device", "number plate", "officer", "operator", "owner", "passenger motor vehicle", "passenger and commercial motor vehicle", "person", "pneumatic tires", "pole trailer", "registration", "registration number", "second offense", "semitrailer", "shoulder", "solid tires", "stop", "subsequent offense", "tail lamp", "tractor", "tractor-trailer unit", "trailer", "truck" and "vanpool vehicle";

Sec. 11. Section 14-286 of the general statutes is repealed, and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):



- (a) Each person operating a bicycle upon and along a sidewalk or across any roadway upon and along a crosswalk shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and shall give an audible signal within a reasonable distance before overtaking and passing a pedestrian. Each person operating a bicycle or a motor-driven cycle upon a roadway shall within a reasonable distance give an audible signal before overtaking and passing a pedestrian or another bicycle operator. No person shall operate a bicycle upon or along a sidewalk or across a roadway upon and along a crosswalk if such operation is prohibited by any ordinance of any city, town or borough or by any regulation of the Office of the State Traffic Administration issued or adopted pursuant to the provisions of section 14-298.
- (b) No person shall ride a motor-driven cycle unless that person holds a valid motor vehicle operator's license. No person shall operate a motor-driven cycle on any sidewalk, limited access highway or turnpike.
- (c) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may issue to a person who does not hold a valid operator's license a special permit that authorizes such person to ride a motor-driven cycle if (A) such person presents to the commissioner a certificate by a physician licensed to practice medicine in this state or an advanced practice registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 3781 that such person is physically disabled, as defined in section 1-1f, other than blind, and that, in the physician's or advanced practice registered nurse's opinion, such person is capable of riding a motor-driven cycle, and (B) such person demonstrates to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles that he is able to ride a bicycle on level terrain, and a motor-driven cycle. (2) Such permit may contain limitations that the commissioner deems advisable for the safety of such person and for the public safety, including, but not limited to, the maximum speed of the motor such person may use. No person who holds a valid special permit under this subsection shall operate a motor-driven cycle in violation of any limitations imposed in the permit. Any person to whom a special permit is issued shall carry the permit at all times while operating the motordriven cycle. Each permit issued under this subsection shall expire one year from the date of issuance.
- (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of any statute or regulation to the contrary, the Office of the State Traffic Administration shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 determining the conditions and circumstances under which bicycle traffic may be permitted on those bridges in the state on limited access highways which it designates to be safe for bicycle traffic. Bicycle traffic shall not be prohibited on any such bridges under such conditions and circumstances.
- (e) As used in this section: (1) "Sidewalk" means any sidewalk laid out as such by any town, city or borough, and any walk which is reserved by custom for the use of pedestrians, or which has been specially prepared for their use. "Sidewalk" does not include crosswalks and does not include footpaths on portions of public highways outside thickly settled parts of towns, cities and boroughs, which are worn only by travel and are not improved by such



towns, cities or boroughs or by abutters; (2) "bicycle" includes all vehicles propelled by the person riding the same by foot or hand power; and (3) "motor-driven cycle" means any motorcycle other than an autocycle, motor scooter or bicycle with an attached motor with a seat height of not less than twenty-six inches and a motor having a capacity of less than fifty cubic centimeters piston displacement.

- (f) A person shall operate a motor-driven cycle on any public highway, the speed limit of which is greater than the maximum speed of the motor-driven cycle, only in the right hand lane available for traffic or upon a usable shoulder on the right side of the highway, except when preparing to make a left turn at an intersection or into or from a private road or driveway.
- (g) Any person who pleads not guilty of a violation of any provision of this section shall be prosecuted within fifteen days of such plea.
- [(h) No person may operate a high-mileage vehicle as defined in section 14-1 on any sidewalk, limited access highway or turnpike.]
- [(i)] (h) Violation of any provision of this section shall be an infraction.

