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"AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE MOTOR VEHICLE STATUTES."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 1-24 of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

5 The following officers may administer oaths: (1) The clerks of the
6 Senate, the clerks of the House of Representatives and the chairpersons
7 of committees of the General Assembly or of either branch thereof,
8 during its session; (2) state officers, as defined in subsection (t) of
9 section 9-1, judges and clerks of any court, family support magistrates,
10 judge trial referees, justices of the peace, commissioners of the Superior
11 Court, notaries public, town clerks and assistant town clerks, in all
12 cases where an oath may be administered, except in a case where the
13 law otherwise requires; (3) commissioners on insolvent estates,
14 auditors, arbitrators and committees, to parties and witnesses, in all

15 cases tried before them; (4) assessors and boards of assessment
16 appeals, in cases coming before them; (5) commissioners appointed by
17 governors of other states to take the acknowledgment of deeds, in the
18 discharge of their official duty; (6) the moderator of a school district
19 meeting, in such meeting, to the clerk of such district, as required by
20 law; (7) the first selectman, in any matter before the board of
21 selectmen; (8) the Chief Medical Examiner, Deputy Medical Examiner
22 and assistant medical examiners of the Office of the Medical Examiner,
23 in any matter before them; (9) registrars of vital statistics, in any matter
24 before them; (10) any chief inspector or inspector appointed pursuant
25 to section 51-286; (11) registrars of voters, deputy registrars, assistant
26 registrars, and moderators, in any matter before them; (12) special
27 assistant registrars, in matters provided for in subsections (b) and (c) of
28 section 9-19b and section 9-19c; (13) the Commissioner of Emergency
29 Services and Public Protection and any sworn member of any local
30 police department or the Division of State Police within the
31 Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, in all
32 affidavits, statements, depositions, complaints or reports made to or by
33 any member of any local police department or said Division of State
34 Police or any constable who is under the supervision of said
35 commissioner or any of such officers of said Division of State Police
36 and who is certified under the provisions of sections 7-294a to 7-294e,
37 inclusive, and performs criminal law enforcement duties; (14) judge
38 advocates of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine
39 Corps, law specialists of the United States Coast Guard, adjutants,
40 assistant adjutants, acting adjutants and personnel adjutants,
41 commanding officers, executive officers and officers whose rank is
42 lieutenant commander or major, or above, of the armed forces, as
43 defined in section 27-103, to persons serving with or in the armed
44 forces, as defined in said section, or their spouses; (15) investigators,
45 deputy investigators, investigative aides, secretaries, clerical assistants,
46 social workers, social worker trainees, paralegals and certified legal
47 interns employed by or assigned to the Public Defender Services
48 Commission in the performance of their assigned duties; (16) bail
49 commissioners and intake, assessment and referral specialists

50 employed by the Judicial Department in the performance of their
51 assigned duties; (17) juvenile matter investigators employed by the
52 Division of Criminal Justice in the performance of their assigned
53 duties; (18) the chairperson of the Connecticut Siting Council or the
54 chairperson's designee; (19) the presiding officer at an agency hearing
55 under section 4-177b; (20) family relations counselors employed by the
56 Judicial Department and support enforcement officers and
57 investigators employed by the Department of Social Services Bureau of
58 Child Support Enforcement and the Judicial Department, in the
59 performance of their assigned duties; (21) the chairperson, vice-
60 chairperson, members and employees of the Board of Pardons and
61 Paroles, in the performance of their assigned duties; (22) the
62 Commissioner of Correction or the commissioner's designee; [and] (23)
63 sworn law enforcement officers, appointed under section 26-5, within
64 the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, in all
65 affidavits, statements, depositions, complaints or reports made to or by
66 any such sworn law enforcement officer; and (24) sworn motor vehicle
67 inspectors acting under the authority of section 14-8.

68 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 1-217 of the general statutes is
69 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
70 *October 1, 2013*):

71 (a) No public agency may disclose, under the Freedom of
72 Information Act, from its personnel, medical or similar files, the
73 residential address of any of the following persons employed by such
74 public agency:

75 (1) A federal court judge, federal court magistrate, judge of the
76 Superior Court, Appellate Court or Supreme Court of the state, or
77 family support magistrate;

78 (2) A sworn member of a municipal police department, a sworn
79 member of the Division of State Police within the Department of
80 Emergency Services and Public Protection, [or] a sworn law
81 enforcement officer within the Department of Energy and

82 Environmental Protection, or a sworn motor vehicle inspector acting
83 under the authority of section 14-8;

84 (3) An employee of the Department of Correction;

85 (4) An attorney-at-law who represents or has represented the state
86 in a criminal prosecution;

87 (5) An attorney-at-law who is or has been employed by the Division
88 of Public Defender Services or a social worker who is employed by the
89 Division of Public Defender Services;

90 (6) An inspector employed by the Division of Criminal Justice;

91 (7) A firefighter;

92 (8) An employee of the Department of Children and Families;

93 (9) A member or employee of the Board of Pardons and Paroles;

94 (10) An employee of the judicial branch;

95 (11) An employee of the Department of Mental Health and
96 Addiction Services who provides direct care to patients; or

97 (12) A member or employee of the Commission on Human Rights
98 and Opportunities.

99 Sec. 3. Subdivision (52) of section 14-1 of the general statutes is
100 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
101 *1, 2013*):

102 (52) "Motor-driven cycle" means any motorcycle, motor scooter, or
103 bicycle with attached motor with a seat height of not less than twenty-
104 six inches and a motor [that produces five brake horsepower or less]
105 having a capacity of less than fifty cubic centimeters piston
106 displacement;

107 Sec. 4. Subdivision (63) of section 14-1 of the general statutes is

108 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
109 *1, 2013*):

110 (63) "Out-of-service order" means an order (A) issued by a [police
111 officer, state policeman, or motor vehicle inspector under the authority
112 of section 14-8] person having inspection authority, as defined in
113 regulations adopted by the commissioner pursuant to section 14-163c,
114 as amended by this act, or by an authorized official of the United States
115 Department of Transportation Federal Motor Carrier Safety
116 Administration pursuant to any provision of federal law, to prohibit [a
117 commercial] any motor vehicle specified in subsection (a) of section 14-
118 163c, as amended by this act, from being operated on any highway, or
119 to prohibit a driver from operating [a commercial] any such motor
120 vehicle, or (B) issued by the United States Department of
121 Transportation Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, pursuant
122 to any provision of federal law, to prohibit any motor carrier, as
123 defined in Section 386.2 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations,
124 from engaging in commercial motor vehicle operations;

125 Sec. 5. Subdivision (80) of section 14-1 of the general statutes is
126 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
127 *1, 2013*):

128 (80) "Serious traffic violation" means a conviction of any of the
129 following offenses: (A) Excessive speeding, involving a single offense
130 in which the speed is fifteen miles per hour or more above the posted
131 speed limit, in violation of section 14-218a or 14-219; (B) reckless
132 driving in violation of section 14-222; (C) following too closely in
133 violation of section 14-240 or 14-240a; (D) improper or erratic lane
134 changes, in violation of section 14-236; (E) using a hand-held mobile
135 telephone or other electronic device or typing, reading or sending text
136 or a text message with or from a mobile telephone or mobile electronic
137 device in violation of subsection (e) of section 14-296aa while operating
138 a commercial motor vehicle; (F) driving a commercial motor vehicle
139 without a valid commercial driver's license in violation of section 14-
140 36a or 14-44a; (G) failure to carry a commercial driver's license in

141 violation of section 14-44a; (H) failure to have the proper class of
142 license or endorsement, or violation of a license restriction in violation
143 of section 14-44a; or (I) a violation of any provision of chapter 248,
144 [while operating a commercial motor vehicle,] by an operator who
145 holds a commercial driver's license or instruction permit that results in
146 the death of another person;

147 Sec. 6. Section 14-9a of the general statutes is amended by adding
148 subsection (c) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

149 (NEW) (c) In accordance with 49 CFR 384.228 and subject to the
150 provisions of section 31-51i, the Department of Motor Vehicles shall
151 require any person who is to be employed as a knowledge or skills test
152 examiner for commercial driver's license applicants to submit to a
153 nation-wide criminal background check prior to the department
154 certifying such person to administer any such test. Each such
155 background check shall include name-based and fingerprint-based
156 criminal history records checks of federal and state repository records.
157 The department shall maintain a record of the results of such criminal
158 background checks and shall rescind the certification of any examiner
159 to administer commercial driver's license tests who: (A) Was convicted
160 of a felony within the past ten years; or (B) was convicted of any crime
161 involving fraudulent activities.

162 Sec. 7. Subsection (a) of section 14-12b of the general statutes is
163 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
164 *October 1, 2013*):

165 (a) No motor vehicle registration shall be issued by the
166 commissioner for any private passenger motor vehicle, as defined in
167 subsection (e) of section 38a-363, or a vehicle with a commercial
168 registration, as defined in section 14-1, unless (1) the application for
169 registration is accompanied by a current automobile insurance
170 identification card containing the information required in section 38a-
171 364, as amended by this act, or a copy of a current insurance policy or
172 endorsement issued by a company licensed to issue such insurance in

173 this state or an approved self-insurer or issued pursuant to the plan
174 established under section 38a-329, verifying that the applicant has the
175 required security coverage, and (2) the applicant signs and files with
176 the commissioner, under penalty of false statement as provided for in
177 section 53a-157b, a statement on a form approved by the commissioner
178 that the owner of the vehicle has provided and will continuously
179 maintain throughout the registration period the minimum security
180 required by section 38a-371. In the case of an owner with a vehicle
181 located outside of the United States or Canada, the commissioner may
182 accept in lieu of the insurance identification card required to be
183 presented for issuance of the registration, an affidavit, in such form as
184 the commissioner shall require, executed by the owner and stating that
185 the vehicle will not be operated in the United States or Canada. In the
186 case of a special use registration issued pursuant to subsection (j) of
187 section 14-12, the commissioner may, in lieu of proof of insurance as
188 otherwise required by this section, accept proof, satisfactory to the
189 commissioner, of substantially equivalent or similar insurance issued
190 by an insurer licensed to transact business in the state in which the
191 motor vehicle is to be registered. The commissioner may require an
192 applicant for renewal of a motor vehicle registration for any private
193 passenger motor vehicle or vehicle with a commercial registration to
194 sign and file with the commissioner, under penalty of false statement
195 as provided for in section 53a-157b, a statement on a form approved by
196 the commissioner that the owner of the vehicle will continuously
197 maintain throughout the registration period the minimum security
198 required by said section 38a-371. Such form shall call for and contain
199 the name of the applicant's insurance company and policy number.

200 Sec. 8. Subsection (a) of section 14-15 of the general statutes is
201 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
202 *1, 2013*):

203 (a) Any person, firm or corporation before engaging in the business
204 of leasing or renting motor vehicles without drivers in this state and
205 any person, firm or corporation which is the lessor of or rents any

206 vehicle required to be registered under the provisions of section 14-15a
207 shall make a sworn application to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles
208 for a license to engage in such leasing or renting. Each such application
209 and each application for renewal shall be accompanied by a fee of
210 three hundred dollars. Each such license shall be renewed biennially
211 according to renewal schedules established by the commissioner so as
212 to effect staggered renewal of all such licenses. If the adoption of a
213 staggered system results in the expiration of any license more or less
214 than one year from its issuance, the commissioner may charge a
215 prorated amount for such license fee. Not less than forty-five days
216 prior to the date of expiration of each such license, the commissioner
217 shall send or transmit to each licensee, in such manner as the
218 commissioner determines, an application for renewal. An application
219 for renewal filed with the commissioner after the date of expiration
220 shall be accompanied by a late fee of one hundred dollars provided the
221 commissioner shall not renew any license under this subsection that
222 has expired for more than forty-five days. No such license shall be
223 transferred. Such licensee shall furnish proof of financial responsibility
224 satisfactory to the commissioner specifying that coverage is for all
225 owned vehicles, as provided by section 14-112 or 14-129, [provided
226 such licensee may furnish such proof separately with respect to each
227 vehicle or each group of vehicles leased to any single lessee] regardless
228 of the duration of the lease or rental period. Each application for such
229 license shall contain the name and address of the owner and shall be
230 accompanied by a surety bond as required pursuant to section 14-52.
231 Each application for registration of a motor vehicle to be leased for a
232 period of more than thirty days shall contain the name and address of
233 the owner and the lessee of such vehicle. The owner of such vehicle
234 shall disclose the name and address of any subsequent lessee of such
235 vehicle to the commissioner in such manner as the commissioner may
236 require. The commissioner shall ensure that such information relative
237 to the lessee is available to the Connecticut on-line law enforcement
238 communications teleprocessing system. Each person, firm or
239 corporation licensed under the provisions of this subsection shall keep
240 such books, records and accounts as the commissioner may require

241 provided each licensee shall retain a copy of each rental or lease
242 contract for a period of three years, which shall be subject to inspection
243 by the commissioner or the commissioner's designee at all reasonable
244 times. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any person,
245 firm or corporation which, incidental to the conduct of its principal
246 business, leases or rents any motor vehicle without a driver to other
247 persons, firms or corporations whose principal business is the same as
248 that of the lessor. Violation of any provision of this subsection shall be
249 an infraction.

250 Sec. 9. Subsection (a) of section 14-33 of the general statutes is
251 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
252 *October 1, 2013*):

253 (a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (e) of this section, if any
254 property tax, or any installment thereof, laid by any city, town,
255 borough or other taxing district upon a registered motor vehicle or
256 snowmobile remains unpaid, the tax collector of such city, town,
257 borough or other taxing district shall notify the Commissioner of
258 Motor Vehicles of such delinquency in accordance with [listings and
259 schedules of dates] guidelines and procedures established by the
260 commissioner, [and on forms prescribed and furnished by the
261 commissioner, specifying the name and address of the person against
262 whom such tax has been assessed, the date when such tax was due and
263 the registration number, if known to the collector.] The commissioner
264 shall not issue registration for such motor vehicle or snowmobile for
265 the next registration period if, according to the commissioner's records,
266 it is then owned by the person against whom such tax has been
267 assessed or by any person to whom such vehicle has not been
268 transferred by bona fide sale. Unless notice has been received by the
269 commissioner under the provisions of section 14-33a, no such
270 registration shall be issued until [a receipt evidencing the payment of
271 such tax or certificate of abatement of such tax or other satisfactory
272 evidence] the commissioner receives notification that the tax obligation
273 has been legally discharged; [has been presented to the commissioner;]

274 nor shall the commissioner register any other motor vehicle, [or]
275 snowmobile, all-terrain vehicle or vessel in the name of such person,
276 [until a receipt evidencing the payment of such tax or a certificate of
277 abatement of such tax or other satisfactory evidence that the tax
278 obligation has been legally discharged has been presented to the
279 commissioner,] except that the commissioner may continue to register
280 other vehicles owned by a leasing or rental firm licensed pursuant to
281 section 14-15 [, if the commissioner is satisfied that arrangements have
282 been made to discharge such tax obligation,] and may issue such
283 registration to any private owner of three or more paratransit vehicles
284 in direct proportion to the percentage of total tax due on such vehicles
285 which has been paid and notice of payment on which has been
286 received. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may immediately
287 suspend or cancel all motor vehicle, [or] snowmobile, all-terrain
288 vehicle or vessel registrations issued in the name of any person (1) who
289 has been reported as delinquent and whose registration was renewed
290 through an error or through the production of false evidence that the
291 delinquent tax on any motor vehicle or snowmobile had been paid, or
292 (2) who has been reported by a tax collector as having paid a property
293 tax on a motor vehicle or snowmobile with a check which was
294 dishonored by a bank and such tax remains unpaid. Any person
295 aggrieved by any action of the commissioner under this section may
296 appeal therefrom in the manner provided in section 14-134. For the
297 purposes of this subsection, "paratransit vehicle" means a motor bus,
298 taxicab or motor vehicle in livery service operated under a certificate of
299 convenience and necessity issued by the Department of Transportation
300 or by a transit district and which is on call or demand or used for the
301 transportation of passengers for hire.

302 Sec. 10. Section 14-33a of the general statutes is repealed and the
303 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

304 When a taxpayer who was reported to the Commissioner of Motor
305 Vehicles as delinquent in taxes by a tax collector in accordance with
306 section 14-33 is no longer delinquent, the tax collector shall

307 immediately notify the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles [, on forms
308 prescribed and furnished by him, specifying the name, address and
309 registration number to be removed from the motor vehicle delinquent
310 tax list] in accordance with guidelines and procedures established by
311 the commissioner.

312 Sec. 11. Section 14-36a of the general statutes is repealed and the
313 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

314 (a) A commercial driver's license issued in accordance with section
315 14-44c shall be designated as class A, B or C, in accordance with the
316 provisions of subsection (b) of section 14-44d. All other operators'
317 licenses shall be designated as class D. A license of any class that also
318 authorizes the operation of a motorcycle shall contain the designation
319 "M". [A license of any class that contains the designation "Q" indicates
320 eligibility to operate fire apparatus.]

321 (b) A commercial driver's license which contains the endorsement
322 "S" evidences that the holder meets the requirements of section 14-44 to
323 operate a school bus or any vehicle described in subsection (c) of this
324 section. A commercial driver's license may contain any of the
325 following additional endorsements:

326 "P"- authorizes the operation of commercial motor vehicles designed
327 to carry passengers;

328 "H"- authorizes the operation of vehicles transporting hazardous
329 materials;

330 "N"- authorizes the operation of tank vehicles;

331 "X"- authorizes both hazardous materials and tank vehicles; and

332 "T"- authorizes the operation of vehicles with up to three trailing,
333 nonpower units.

334 The commissioner may establish one or more restrictions on

335 commercial driver's licenses of any class, in regulations adopted in
336 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54. Subject to the provisions
337 of subsection (b) of section 14-44d, a commercial driver's license of any
338 class authorizes the holder of such license to operate any motor vehicle
339 that may be operated by the holder of a class D operator's license.

340 (c) A commercial driver's license or a class D license that contains
341 any of the following endorsements evidences that the holder meets the
342 requirements of section 14-44:

343 "V"- authorizes the transportation of passengers in a student
344 transportation vehicle, as defined in section 14-212, or any vehicle that
345 requires an "A" or "F" endorsement;

346 "A"- authorizes the transportation of passengers in an activity
347 vehicle, as defined in section 14-1, or any vehicle that requires an "F"
348 endorsement; and

349 "F"- authorizes the transportation of passengers in a taxicab, motor
350 vehicle in livery service, service bus or motor bus.

351 The commissioner may establish one or more endorsements or
352 restrictions on class D licenses, in accordance with regulations adopted
353 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54.

354 (d) A license of any class that contains the designation "Q" indicates
355 eligibility to operate fire apparatus. A "Q" endorsement shall signify
356 that the holder has been trained to operate fire apparatus in
357 accordance with standards established by the Commission on Fire
358 Prevention and Control. No such endorsement shall be issued to any
359 person until he or she demonstrates personally to the commissioner, or
360 the commissioner's designee, including the Connecticut Fire Academy,
361 any regional fire school or the local fire official of any municipality as
362 defined in section 7-323j, by means of testing in a representative
363 vehicle that such person possesses the skills necessary for operation of
364 fire apparatus.

365 ~~[(d)]~~ (e) No person shall operate a motor vehicle in violation of the
366 classification of the license issued to such person.

367 ~~[(e)]~~ (f) No employer shall knowingly require or permit an
368 employee who is acting within the scope of such employee's
369 employment to operate a motor vehicle in violation of the classification
370 of such employee's license.

371 ~~[(f)]~~ (g) (1) Any person who violates any provision of subsection
372 ~~[(d)]~~ (e) of this section shall, for a first offense, be deemed to have
373 committed an infraction and be fined fifty dollars and, for a
374 subsequent offense, be guilty of a class D misdemeanor.

375 (2) Any employer who violates subsection ~~[(e)]~~ (f) of this section
376 shall be subject to a civil penalty of not more than one thousand dollars
377 for a first violation and not more than two thousand five hundred
378 dollars for a second or subsequent violation.

379 ~~[(g)]~~ (h) The revocation, suspension or withdrawal of, or refusal to
380 issue or renew an "S" endorsement, or any endorsement described in
381 subsection (c) of this section, shall prohibit the licensee from operating
382 any public service passenger vehicle for which a passenger
383 endorsement is required under this section. During the period of such
384 revocation, suspension or withdrawal of, or after a refusal to issue or
385 renew an "S" endorsement, or any endorsement described in
386 subsection (c) of this section, the commissioner shall not issue any
387 other passenger endorsement to such licensee.

388 Sec. 12. Subsection (a) of section 14-36h of the general statutes is
389 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
390 *1, 2013*):

391 (a) Each motor vehicle operator's license issued by the
392 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles in accordance with section 14-36, as
393 amended by this act, and each identity card issued by said
394 commissioner in accordance with section 1-1h shall contain the
395 following: (1) The person's full legal name; (2) the person's date of

396 birth; (3) the person's gender; (4) the person's height and eye color; (5)
397 the person's assigned operator's license or identity card number; (6) the
398 person's address of principal residence in this state; (7) the person's
399 signature; (8) the person's [color] photograph or digital image; and (9)
400 if applicable, the person's status as a veteran, as provided in subsection
401 (e) of this section.

402 Sec. 13. Subsection (a) of section 14-37a of the general statutes is
403 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
404 *1, 2013*):

405 (a) Any person whose operator's license has been suspended
406 pursuant to any provision of this chapter or chapter 248, except
407 pursuant to section 14-215 for operating under suspension or pursuant
408 to section 14-140 for failure to appear for any scheduled court
409 appearance, and any person identified in subsection (g) of this section
410 may make application to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles for (1) a
411 special "work" permit to operate a motor vehicle to and from such
412 person's place of employment or, if such person is not employed at a
413 fixed location, to operate a motor vehicle only in connection with, and
414 to the extent necessary, to properly perform such person's business or
415 profession, or (2) a special "education" permit to operate a motor
416 vehicle to and from an [accredited] institution of higher education or a
417 private occupational school, as defined in section 10a-22a, in which
418 such person is enrolled. No such special "education" permit shall be
419 issued to any student enrolled in a high school under the jurisdiction
420 of a local or regional board of education, a high school under the
421 jurisdiction of a regional educational service center, a charter school, a
422 regional agricultural science and technology education center or a
423 technical high school. Such application shall be accompanied by an
424 application fee of one hundred dollars.

425 Sec. 14. Subsection (c) of section 14-40a of the general statutes is
426 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
427 *1, 2013*):

428 (c) Before granting a motorcycle endorsement to any applicant who
429 has not held such an endorsement at any time within the preceding
430 two years, the commissioner shall require the applicant to present
431 evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that such applicant has
432 successfully completed a novice motorcycle training course conducted
433 by the Department of Transportation with federal funds available for
434 the purpose of such course, or by any firm or organization that
435 conducts such a course that uses the curriculum of the Motorcycle
436 Safety Foundation or other safety or educational organization that has
437 developed a curriculum approved by the commissioner. If such
438 applicant has not obtained a motorcycle instruction permit pursuant to
439 subsection (b) of this section, the applicant shall also pass an
440 examination, other than the driving skills test, demonstrating that the
441 applicant is a proper person to operate a motorcycle, has sufficient
442 knowledge of the mechanism of a motorcycle to ensure its safe
443 operation by such applicant, and has satisfactory knowledge of the law
444 concerning motorcycles and other motor vehicles and the rules of the
445 road. The commissioner may waive the requirement of such
446 examination for any applicant who presents documentation that such
447 applicant: (1) Is on active military duty with the armed forces of the
448 United States; (2) is stationed outside the state; and (3) completed a
449 novice motorcycle training course conducted by any firm or
450 organization using the curriculum of the Motorcycle Safety
451 Foundation not earlier than two years prior to the date of such
452 applicant's application. When the commissioner is satisfied as to the
453 ability and competency of the applicant, the commissioner may issue
454 an endorsement to such applicant, either unlimited or containing such
455 limitations as the commissioner deems advisable. If an applicant or
456 motorcycle endorsement holder has any health problem which might
457 affect such person's ability to operate a motorcycle safely, the
458 commissioner may require the applicant or endorsement holder to
459 demonstrate personally that, notwithstanding the problem, such
460 person is a proper person to operate a motorcycle, and the
461 commissioner may further require a certificate of the applicant's
462 condition, signed by a medical authority designated by the

463 commissioner, which certificate shall, in all cases, be treated as
464 confidential by the commissioner. An endorsement, containing such
465 limitation as the commissioner deems advisable may be issued or
466 renewed in any case, but nothing in this section shall be construed to
467 prevent the commissioner from refusing an endorsement, either
468 limited or unlimited, to any person or suspending an endorsement of a
469 person whom the commissioner deems incapable of safely operating a
470 motorcycle.

471 Sec. 15. Subsection (b) of section 14-41 of the general statutes is
472 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
473 *October 1, 2013*):

474 (b) An original operator's license shall expire within a period not
475 exceeding six years following the date of the operator's next birthday.
476 The fee for such license shall be seventy-two dollars, [and twelve
477 dollars per year or any part of a year.] The commissioner may
478 authorize an automobile club or association, licensed in accordance
479 with the provisions of section 14-67 on or before July 1, 2007, to issue
480 duplicate licenses and identity cards pursuant to section 14-50a, renew
481 licenses, renew identity cards issued pursuant to section 1-1h and
482 conduct registration transactions at its office facilities. The
483 commissioner may authorize such automobile clubs or associations to
484 charge a convenience fee, which shall not exceed [two] three dollars, to
485 each applicant for a license or identity card renewal or duplication, or
486 for a registration transaction.

487 Sec. 16. Section 14-41a of the general statutes is repealed and the
488 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

489 An individual sixty-five years of age or older may renew a motor
490 vehicle operator's license for either a two-year period or a six-year
491 period. The fee for any license issued for a two-year period shall be
492 [twenty-two] twenty-four dollars.

493 Sec. 17. Subsection (a) of section 14-44i of the general statutes is

494 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
495 *October 1, 2013*):

496 (a) There shall be charged a fee of [sixty] seventy dollars for each
497 renewal of a commercial driver's license.

498 Sec. 18. Subsection (h) of section 14-44k of the general statutes is
499 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
500 *October 1, 2013*):

501 (h) A person is disqualified for life if such person commits two or
502 more of the offenses specified in subsection (b) of this section, or if
503 such person is the subject of two or more findings by the commissioner
504 under subsection (c) of this section, or any combination of those
505 offenses or findings, arising from two or more separate incidents. A
506 person is disqualified for life if the commissioner takes suspension
507 actions against such person for two or more alcohol test refusals or test
508 failures, or any combination of such actions, arising from two or more
509 separate incidents. Any person disqualified for life, except a person
510 disqualified under subsection (g) of this section, who has both
511 voluntarily enrolled in and successfully completed an appropriate
512 rehabilitation program, as determined by the commissioner, may
513 apply for reinstatement of such person's commercial driver's license or
514 commercial driver's instruction permit, provided any such applicant
515 shall not be eligible for reinstatement until such time as such person
516 has served a minimum disqualification period of ten years. An
517 application for reinstatement shall be accompanied by documentation
518 satisfactory to the commissioner that such person has both voluntarily
519 enrolled in and successfully completed a program established and
520 operated by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
521 pursuant to chapter 319j, a program operated through a substance
522 abuse treatment facility licensed in accordance with section 19a-491 or
523 the equivalent of either program offered in another state. The
524 commissioner shall not reinstate a commercial driver's license or
525 commercial driver's instruction permit that was disqualified for life
526 unless an applicant for reinstatement requests an administrative

527 hearing in accordance with chapter 54, and offers evidence that the
528 reinstatement of such applicant's commercial driver's license or
529 commercial driver's instruction permit does not endanger the public
530 safety or welfare. Such evidence shall include, but not be limited to,
531 proof that such applicant has not been convicted of any offense
532 involving alcohol, a controlled substance or a drug during a period of
533 ten years following the date of such applicant's most recent lifetime
534 disqualification. If a person whose commercial driver's license or
535 commercial driver's instruction permit is reinstated under this
536 subsection is subsequently convicted of another disqualifying offense,
537 such person shall be permanently disqualified for life and shall be
538 ineligible to reapply for a reduction of the lifetime disqualification. The
539 following shall remain on the driving history record of a commercial
540 motor vehicle operator or commercial driver's license or commercial
541 driver's instruction permit holder for a period of fifty-five years, as
542 required by 49 CFR Part 384, as amended from time to time: (1) Any
543 offense specified in subsection (b) or (c) of this section, provided such
544 offense occurred on or after December 29, 2006; (2) each of two or more
545 offenses specified in subsection (b) or (c) of this section that occur
546 within ten years of each other and result in a lifetime disqualification,
547 regardless of when such offenses occur; (3) any conviction under
548 subsection (g) of this section for using a motor vehicle in the
549 commission of a felony involving the manufacture, distribution or
550 dispensing of a controlled substance, committed on or after January 1,
551 2005.

552 Sec. 19. Subsection (k) of section 14-44k of the general statutes is
553 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
554 *1, 2013*):

555 (k) After taking disqualification action, or suspending, revoking or
556 cancelling a commercial driver's license or commercial driver's
557 instruction permit, the commissioner shall update the commissioner's
558 records to reflect such action within ten days. After taking
559 disqualification action, or suspending, revoking or cancelling the

560 operating privileges of a commercial motor vehicle operator or a
561 commercial driver who is licensed or holds a commercial driver's
562 instruction permit in another state, the commissioner shall notify the
563 licensing state of such action within ten days. Such notification shall
564 identify the violation that caused such disqualification, suspension,
565 cancellation or revocation.

566 Sec. 20. Subsection (f) of section 14-49 of the general statutes is
567 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
568 *October 1, 2013*):

569 (f) For the registration of each electric motor vehicle, the
570 commissioner shall charge a fee of [fifteen dollars for each year or part
571 thereof. On and after July 1, 2011, the fee shall be nineteen dollars]
572 thirty-eight dollars biennially.

573 Sec. 21. Subsection (a) of section 14-50 of the general statutes is
574 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
575 *October 1, 2013*):

576 (a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (c) of section 14-41, there
577 shall be charged a fee of [sixty-five] seventy-two dollars for each
578 renewal of a motor vehicle operator's license issued for a period of six
579 years and an additional fee of twelve dollars for each year or part
580 thereof for each passenger endorsement.

581 Sec. 22. Section 14-60 of the general statutes is repealed and the
582 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

583 (a) No dealer or repairer may rent or allow or cause to be rented, or
584 operate or allow or cause to be operated for hire, or use or allow or
585 cause to be used for the purpose of conveying passengers or
586 merchandise or freight for hire, any motor vehicle registered under a
587 general distinguishing number and mark. No dealer or repairer may
588 loan a motor vehicle or number plate or both to any person except for
589 (1) the purpose of demonstration of a motor vehicle owned by such
590 dealer, [or] (2) when a motor vehicle owned by or lawfully in the

591 custody of such person is undergoing repairs by such dealer or
592 repairer, or (3) when such person has purchased a motor vehicle from
593 such dealer, the registration of which [by him] is pending, and in any
594 case for not more than thirty days in any year, provided such person
595 shall furnish proof to the dealer or repairer that he has liability and
596 property damage insurance which will cover any damage to any
597 person or property caused by the operation of the loaned motor
598 vehicle, motor vehicle on which the loaned number plate is displayed
599 or both. Such person's insurance shall be the prime coverage. If the
600 person to whom the dealer or repairer loaned the motor vehicle or the
601 number plate did not, at the time of such loan, have in force any such
602 liability and property damage insurance, such person and such dealer
603 or repairer shall be jointly liable for any damage to any person or
604 property caused by the operation of the loaned motor vehicle or a
605 motor vehicle on which the loaned number plate is displayed. Each
606 dealer or repairer shall keep a record of each loaned number plate
607 showing the date loaned, the vehicle identification number of the
608 vehicle on which such plate is displayed, the date returned and the
609 name, address and operator's license number of the person operating
610 any vehicle with such loaned number plate. Such dealer or repairer
611 shall give a copy of this record to each person to whom such plate or
612 vehicle and plate are loaned which shall be carried in the motor vehicle
613 at all times when operated upon a public highway. This record shall be
614 retained by the dealer or repairer for a period of six months from the
615 date on which the number plate or motor vehicle or both were loaned
616 and such record shall be available during business hours for
617 examination by any police officer or inspector designated by the
618 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.

619 (b) Any licensed dealer or repairer may operate or cause to be
620 operated by a bona fide full-time employee [such] a motor vehicle
621 owned by such dealer or repairer for (1) use in connection with [his]
622 such dealer's or repairer's business, (2) the pickup and delivery of parts
623 for such dealer and repairer, and (3) [his] such employee's personal
624 use, or by a part-time employee for use only in connection with the

625 business of such dealer or repairer. Each dealer or repairer shall
626 maintain a record of the following: (A) Each number plate issued by
627 the commissioner to such dealer or repairer, (B) the name, address and
628 occupation of the bona fide full-time employee or part-time employee
629 to whom such plate has been assigned, (C) the date of assignment of
630 each such plate, and (D) the exact location of each unassigned plate.
631 For the purposes of this subsection, "bona fide full-time employee"
632 means a person who is employed by a licensed dealer or repairer for
633 not less than thirty-five hours per week and appears on the records of
634 such employer as an employee for whom social security, withholding
635 tax and all deductions required by law have been made and "part-time
636 employee" means a person who is employed by a licensed dealer or
637 repairer for less than thirty-five hours per week and appears on the
638 records of such employer as an employee for whom Social Security,
639 withholding tax and all deductions required by law have been made.

640 Sec. 23. Section 14-62 of the general statutes is repealed and the
641 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

642 (a) Each sale shall be evidenced by an order properly signed by both
643 the buyer and seller, a copy of which shall be furnished to the buyer
644 when executed, and an invoice upon delivery of the motor vehicle,
645 both of which shall contain the following information: (1) Make of
646 vehicle; (2) year of model, whether sold as new or used, and on invoice
647 the identification number; (3) deposit, and (A) if the deposit is not
648 refundable, the words "No Refund of Deposit" shall appear at this
649 point, and (B) if the deposit is conditionally refundable, the words
650 "Conditional Refund of Deposit" shall appear at this point, followed by
651 a statement giving the conditions for refund, and (C) if the deposit is
652 unconditionally refundable, the words "Unconditional Refund" shall
653 appear at this point; (4) cash selling price; (5) finance charges, and (A)
654 if these charges do not include insurance, the words "No Insurance"
655 shall appear at this point, and (B) if these charges include insurance, a
656 statement shall appear at this point giving the exact type of coverage;
657 (6) allowance on motor vehicle traded in, if any, and description of the

658 same; (7) stamped or printed in a size equal to at least ten-point bold
659 type on the face of both order and invoice one of the following forms:
660 (A) "This motor vehicle not guaranteed", or (B) "This motor vehicle is
661 guaranteed", followed by a statement as to the terms of such
662 guarantee, which statement shall not apply to household furnishings
663 of any trailer; (8) if the motor vehicle is new but has been subject to use
664 by the seller or use in connection with his business as a dealer, the
665 word "demonstrator" shall be clearly displayed on the face of both
666 order and invoice; (9) any dealer conveyance fee or processing fee and
667 a statement that such fee is not payable to the state of Connecticut
668 printed in at least ten-point bold type on the face of both order and
669 invoice. For the purposes of this subdivision, "dealer conveyance fee"
670 or "processing fee" means a fee charged by a dealer to recover
671 reasonable costs for processing all documentation and performing
672 services related to the closing of a sale, including, but not limited to,
673 the registration and transfer of ownership of the motor vehicle which
674 is the subject of the sale.

675 (b) No dealer shall include in the selling price a dealer preparation
676 charge for any item or service for which he is reimbursed by the
677 manufacturer or any item or service not specifically ordered by the
678 buyer and itemized on the invoice.

679 (c) Each dealer shall provide a written statement to the buyer or
680 prominently display a sign in the area of his place of business in which
681 sales are negotiated which shall specify the amount of any conveyance
682 or processing fee charged by such dealer, the services performed by
683 the dealer for such fee, that such fee is not payable to the state of
684 Connecticut and that the buyer may elect, where appropriate, to
685 submit the documentation required for the registration and transfer of
686 ownership of the motor vehicle which is the subject of the sale to the
687 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, in which case the dealer shall reduce
688 such fee by a proportional amount. The Commissioner of Motor
689 Vehicles shall determine the size, typeface and arrangement of such
690 information.

691 (d) No dealer licensed under the provisions of section 14-52 shall
692 sell any used motor vehicle without furnishing to the buyer, at the
693 time of sale, a valid certificate of title, the assignment and warranty of
694 title by such dealer or other evidence of title issued by another state or
695 country, where applicable, disclosing the existence of any lien, security
696 interest in or other encumbrance on the vehicle. Any dealer that
697 violates this subsection shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

698 (e) No person, firm or corporation shall sell a motor vehicle at a
699 public or private auction without furnishing to the buyer, at the time of
700 sale, a valid certificate of title, the assignment and warranty of title by
701 such person, firm or corporation, or other evidence of title issued by
702 another state or country, where applicable, disclosing the existence of
703 any lien, security interest in or other encumbrance on the vehicle.

704 (f) The provisions of subsection (d) of this section shall not apply to
705 the sale of any used motor vehicle by a new car dealer to a person, firm
706 or corporation which, pursuant to a lease contract option, purchases
707 such vehicle at the end of the lease term provided (1) such vehicle is
708 registered in this state in accordance with the provisions of section 14-
709 12, (2) the certificate of title for such vehicle is in the possession of a
710 lessor licensed under the provisions of section 14-15, (3) subsequent to
711 such sale, such vehicle is registered in the name of the prior lessee, and
712 (4) such dealer obtains the certificate of title from such lessor and
713 transmits all necessary documents and fees to the commissioner not
714 later than five days following the issuance of a motor vehicle
715 registration for such vehicle.

716 (g) Before offering any used motor vehicle for retail sale, the selling
717 dealer shall complete a comprehensive safety inspection of such
718 vehicle. Such safety inspection shall cover all applicable equipment
719 and components contained in sections 14-80 to 14-106d, inclusive, and
720 such inspection shall be evidenced on a form approved by the
721 commissioner. The selling dealer shall attest to such form under the
722 penalty of false statement, as prescribed in section 53a-157b, and shall
723 state that the vehicle has undergone any necessary repairs and has

724 been deemed to be in condition for legal operation on any highway of
725 this state. In the event defects are found but not repaired, and the
726 vehicle is not subject to any warranty under [subsection (a) of section
727 42-224] section 42-221, the selling dealer shall note all such defects on
728 the form and may sell such vehicle in "as is" condition. Any vehicle
729 sold in "as is" condition with one or more defects in the equipment or
730 components shall have the retail purchase order, invoice, title and
731 assignment documents prominently marked as "not in condition for
732 legal operation on the highways" with an explanation of defects noted
733 on such retail purchase order, invoice and safety inspection form. A
734 dealer selling any vehicle pursuant to this subsection shall require a
735 purchaser to acknowledge the vehicle condition by obtaining such
736 purchaser's signature on the retail purchase order, invoice and safety
737 inspection forms, copies of which shall be furnished to the buyer upon
738 execution. No dealer shall charge any fee to a customer for the
739 completion of such safety inspection or for any repairs required to
740 remedy defects discovered during such safety inspection pursuant to
741 this subsection, except that nothing herein shall (1) limit or otherwise
742 regulate the retail sales price charged by a dealer for a vehicle that has
743 been inspected or repaired prior to sale; or (2) negate or preempt any
744 provisions of chapter 743f. This subsection shall not apply to fees for
745 any inspection or any work performed under the terms of a lease buy
746 back. Any dealer that fails to conduct the safety inspection required in
747 this subsection shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

748 (h) No dealer licensed under section 14-52, as amended by this act,
749 shall deliver or permit a retail purchaser to take possession or delivery
750 of any used motor vehicle until such purchaser has paid in full for the
751 vehicle or until financing offered by the dealer for such vehicle has
752 been approved by the lending institution or other entity through
753 which any financing agreement has been made. Any dealer that
754 violates this subsection shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

755 Sec. 24. Subsection (b) of section 14-63 of the general statutes is
756 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*

757 1, 2013):

758 (b) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall adopt regulations, in
759 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, establishing (1) a
760 procedure whereby customers of dealers and repairers may file
761 complaints with the Department of Motor Vehicles concerning the
762 operations of and services provided by any such licensees, and (2) a
763 procedure specifying the circumstances under which a licensee may
764 stipulate to a complaint and waive such licensee's right to an
765 administrative hearing. Such regulations shall provide for the
766 commissioner to contact each licensee that is the subject of a complaint
767 in order to notify such licensee of the complaint and to relate to such
768 licensee the particular matters alleged by the complainant. [The
769 commissioner shall] If the commissioner determines that the facts as
770 alleged give rise to one or more violations of law related to the
771 licensee's business, the commissioner may attempt to mediate a
772 voluntary resolution of the complaint acceptable to the complainant
773 and the licensee. Such regulations shall also provide that, if an
774 acceptable resolution to the complaint is not achieved, the
775 commissioner shall complete the commissioner's investigation of the
776 facts and shall, if the commissioner has reason to believe that the
777 licensee has violated any provision of section 14-64, proceed to take
778 any action authorized under the provisions of section 14-64. If, after
779 such an investigation, the commissioner elects not to take action
780 against the licensee, the commissioner shall notify both the
781 complainant and the licensee in writing. Such notice shall include a
782 brief statement of the reasons why the commissioner has taken no
783 action. The commissioner shall also inform the complainant and the
784 licensee that an unresolved complaint exists and that, unless the
785 commissioner has determined that the allegations, even if true, fail to
786 state a violation of applicable statutory or regulatory standards, the
787 same shall be recorded in the records of the department pertaining to
788 such licensee until such time as the licensee submits to the
789 commissioner satisfactory evidence, signed by the complainant or the
790 complainant's attorney, that the claim has been resolved by agreement

791 with the complainant or submits to the department satisfactory
792 evidence of final adjudication in favor of such licensee. An agreement
793 between the licensee and the complainant shall not preclude the
794 commissioner from proceeding to take action if the commissioner has
795 reason to believe that the licensee has violated any provision of section
796 14-64. A decision by the commissioner not to take action against the
797 licensee shall be without prejudice to the claim of the customer; and
798 neither the fact that the department has determined not to proceed nor
799 the notice furnished to the parties, in accordance with this subsection,
800 shall be admissible in any civil action.

801 Sec. 25. Subsection (f) of section 14-65 of the general statutes is
802 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
803 *1, 2013*):

804 (f) A violation of subsection (a) of this section shall be a class B
805 misdemeanor. Each person, firm or corporation that conducts an
806 auction sale in accordance with any of the provisions of this section
807 shall be subject to the provisions of sections 14-149 and 14-149a and to
808 the penalties provided for violations of said sections. Each such
809 person, firm or corporation that sells any motor vehicle with an
810 odometer reading that has been turned back or changed on the most
811 recent assignment of ownership prior to the auction sale shall be
812 subject to the penalties provided in section 14-106b. The commissioner
813 may, after notice and opportunity for a hearing, impose a civil penalty
814 of two thousand dollars on any licensee who violates subsection (b) of
815 this section or any regulation adopted pursuant to subsection (e) of
816 this section.

817 Sec. 26. Section 14-66 of the general statutes is repealed and the
818 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

819 (a) (1) No person, firm or corporation shall engage in the business of
820 operating a wrecker for the purpose of towing or transporting motor
821 vehicles, including motor vehicles which are disabled, inoperative or
822 wrecked or are being removed in accordance with the provisions of

823 section 14-145, 14-150 or 14-307, unless such person, firm or
824 corporation is a motor vehicle dealer or repairer licensed under the
825 provisions of subpart (D) of this part. (2) The commissioner shall
826 establish and publish a schedule of uniform rates and charges for the
827 nonconsensual towing and transporting of motor vehicles and for the
828 storage of motor vehicles which shall be just and reasonable. Upon
829 petition of any person, firm or corporation licensed in accordance with
830 the provisions of this section, but not more frequently than once every
831 two years, the commissioner shall reconsider the established rates and
832 charges and shall amend such rates and charges if the commissioner,
833 after consideration of the factors stated in this subdivision, determines
834 that such rates and charges are no longer just and reasonable. In
835 establishing and amending such rates and charges, the commissioner
836 may consider factors, including, but not limited to, the Consumer Price
837 Index, rates set by other jurisdictions, charges for towing and
838 transporting services provided pursuant to a contract with an
839 automobile club or automobile association licensed under the
840 provisions of section 14-67 and rates published in standard service
841 manuals. The commissioner shall hold a public hearing for the purpose
842 of obtaining additional information concerning such rates and charges.
843 (3) With respect to the nonconsensual towing or transporting and the
844 storage of motor vehicles, no such person, firm or corporation shall
845 charge more than the rates and charges published by the
846 commissioner. Any person aggrieved by any action of the
847 commissioner under the provisions of this section may take an appeal
848 therefrom in accordance with section 4-183, except venue for such
849 appeal shall be in the judicial district of New Britain.

850 (b) The commissioner, or an inspector authorized by the
851 commissioner, shall examine each wrecker, including its number,
852 equipment and identification, and shall determine the mechanical
853 condition of such wrecker and whether or not it is properly equipped
854 to do the work intended. A wrecker shall be deemed properly
855 equipped if there are two flashing yellow lights installed and mounted
856 on such wrecker that (1) show in all directions at all times, and (2)

857 indicate the full width of such wrecker. Such lights shall be mounted
858 not less than eight feet above the road surface and as close to the back
859 of the cab of such wrecker as practicable. Such lights shall be in
860 operation when such wrecker is towing a vehicle and when such
861 wrecker is at the scene of an accident or the location of a disabled
862 motor vehicle. In addition, each wrecker shall be equipped with a spot
863 light mounted so that its beam of light is directed toward the hoisting
864 equipment in the rear of such wrecker. The hoisting equipment of each
865 wrecker shall be of sufficient capacity to perform the service intended
866 and shall be securely mounted to the frame of such vehicle. A fire
867 extinguisher shall be carried at all times on each wrecker which shall
868 be in proper working condition, mounted in a permanent bracket on
869 each wrecker and have a minimum rating of eight bc. A set of three
870 flares in operating condition shall be carried at all times on each
871 wrecker and shall be used between the periods of one-half hour after
872 sunset and one-half hour before sunrise when the wrecker is parked on
873 a highway while making emergency repairs or preparing to pick up a
874 disabled vehicle to remove it from a highway or adjoining property.
875 No registrant or operator of any wrecker shall offer to give any
876 gratuities or inducements of any kind to any police officer or other
877 person in order to obtain towing business or recommendations for
878 towing or storage of, or estimating repairs to, disabled vehicles. No
879 licensee shall require the owner to sign a contract for the repair of such
880 owner's damaged vehicle as part of the towing consideration or to sign
881 an order for the repair of, or authorization for estimate until the tow
882 job has been completed. No licensee shall tow a vehicle in such a
883 negligent manner as to cause further damage to the vehicle being
884 towed.

885 (c) Each wrecker used for towing or transporting motor vehicles
886 shall be registered as a wrecker by the commissioner for a fee of one
887 hundred twenty-five dollars. Each such registration shall be renewed
888 biennially according to renewal schedules established by the
889 commissioner so as to effect staggered renewal of all such
890 registrations. If the adoption of a staggered system results in the

891 expiration of any registration more or less than two years from its
892 issuance, the commissioner may charge a prorated amount for such
893 registration fee.

894 (d) An owner of a wrecker may apply to the commissioner for a
895 general distinguishing number and number plate for the purpose of
896 displaying such number plate on a motor vehicle temporarily in the
897 custody of such owner and being towed or transported by such owner.
898 The commissioner shall issue such number and number plate to an
899 owner of a wrecker (1) who has complied with the requirements of this
900 section, and (2) whose wrecker is equipped in accordance with
901 subsection (b) of this section. The commissioner shall charge a fee to
902 cover the cost of issuance and renewal of such number plates.

903 (e) With respect to the nonconsensual towing or transporting of a
904 motor vehicle, no licensee may tow or transport a vehicle to the
905 premises of any person, firm or corporation engaged in the storage of
906 vehicles for compensation unless such person, firm or corporation
907 adheres to the storage charges published by the commissioner.

908 (f) The provisions of this section shall not apply to [: (1) Any] any
909 person, firm, [or] corporation [licensed as a motor vehicle dealer under
910 the provisions of subpart (D) of this part, towing] or association: (1)
911 Towing or transporting a motor vehicle, [for salvage purposes,]
912 provided such person, firm, [or] corporation or association is licensed
913 as a motor vehicle dealer pursuant to the provisions of subpart (D) of
914 this part and does not offer direct towing or [wrecker service]
915 transporting to the public or engage in nonconsensual towing or
916 transporting; (2) [any person, firm or corporation] operating as an
917 automobile club or automobile association licensed under section 14-
918 67; (3) [any person, firm or corporation] operating as a motor vehicle
919 recycler licensed under section 14-67/ or any contractor of such
920 recycler, provided such recycler or its contractor does not offer towing
921 or transporting to the public or engage in nonconsensual towing or
922 transporting; (4) [any person, firm or corporation engaged] engaging
923 in the business of repossession of motor vehicles for lending

924 institutions, provided it does not offer direct towing or transporting
925 unless licensed as a motor vehicle dealer under the provisions of
926 subpart (D) of this part; [or] (5) [any person, firm or corporation]
927 towing motor vehicles owned or leased by such person, firm,
928 association or corporation; (6) towing or transporting motor vehicles
929 for hire, with the appropriate operating authority, as defined in 49 CFR
930 390.5, as amended from time to time, provided such person, firm,
931 corporation or association does not offer towing or transporting to the
932 public or engage in nonconsensual towing or transporting; or (7)
933 towing motor vehicles to or from an auction conducted by a dealer
934 licensed pursuant to the provisions of subpart (D) of this part,
935 provided such person, firm, corporation or association does not offer
936 direct towing or transporting to the public or engage in nonconsensual
937 towing or transporting.

938 (g) For the purposes of this section, "nonconsensual towing or
939 transporting" means the towing or transporting of a motor vehicle in
940 accordance with the provisions of section 14-145 or for which
941 arrangements are made by order of a law enforcement officer or traffic
942 authority, as defined in section 14-297.

943 (h) Any person, firm, corporation or association that violates the
944 provisions of this section shall, for a first offense, be deemed to have
945 committed an infraction and for a second or subsequent offense, shall
946 be guilty of a class D misdemeanor.

947 Sec. 27. Section 14-69 of the general statutes is repealed and the
948 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

949 (a) No person shall engage in the business of conducting a drivers'
950 school without being licensed by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.
951 An application for a license shall be in writing and shall contain such
952 information as the commissioner requires. Each applicant for a license
953 shall be fingerprinted before such application is approved. The
954 commissioner shall subject each applicant for a license to state and
955 national criminal history records checks conducted in accordance with

956 section 29-17a, and a check of the state child abuse and neglect registry
957 established pursuant to section 17a-101k. If any such applicant has a
958 criminal record or is listed on the state child abuse and neglect registry,
959 the commissioner shall make a determination of whether to issue a
960 license to conduct a drivers' school in accordance with the standards
961 and procedures set forth in section 14-44 and the regulations adopted
962 pursuant to said section. If the application is approved, the applicant
963 shall be granted a license upon the payment of a fee of seven hundred
964 dollars and a deposit with the commissioner of cash or a bond of a
965 surety company authorized to do business in this state, conditioned on
966 the faithful performance by the applicant of any contract to furnish
967 instruction, in either case in such amount as the commissioner may
968 require, such cash or bond to be held by the commissioner to satisfy
969 any execution issued against such school in a cause arising out of
970 failure of such school to perform such contract. For each additional
971 place of business of such school, the commissioner shall charge a fee of
972 one hundred seventy-six dollars, except if the licensee opens an
973 additional place of business with one year or less remaining on the
974 term of its license, the commissioner shall charge a fee of eighty-eight
975 dollars for each such additional place of business for the year or any
976 part thereof remaining on the term of such license. No license shall be
977 required in the case of any board of education, or any public, private
978 or parochial school, which conducts a course in driver education
979 established in accordance with sections 14-36e and 14-36f. A license so
980 issued shall be valid for two years. The commissioner shall issue a
981 license certificate or certificates to each licensee, one of which shall be
982 displayed in each place of business of the licensee. In case of the loss,
983 mutilation or destruction of a certificate, the commissioner shall issue a
984 duplicate upon proof of the facts and the payment of a fee of twenty
985 dollars.

986 (b) The biennial fee for the renewal of a license shall be seven
987 hundred dollars and the biennial renewal fee for each additional place
988 of business shall be one hundred seventy-six dollars, except if the
989 licensee opens an additional place of business with one year or less

1990 remaining on the term of its license, the commissioner shall charge a
1991 fee of eighty-eight dollars for each such additional place of business for
1992 the year or any part thereof remaining on the term of such license. If
1993 the commissioner has not received a complete renewal application and
1994 all applicable renewal fees on or before the expiration date of an
1995 applicant's license, the commissioner shall charge such applicant, in
1996 addition to such renewal fees, a late fee of seven hundred dollars.

1997 (c) Any person who engages in the business of conducting a drivers'
1998 school without being licensed in accordance with this section shall be
1999 guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

1000 Sec. 28. Subsection (d) of section 14-73 of the general statutes is
1001 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1002 *1, 2013*):

1003 (d) The commissioner shall conduct such written, oral and practical
1004 examinations as he deems necessary to determine whether an
1005 applicant has sufficient skill in the operation of motor vehicles to
1006 ensure their safe operation, a satisfactory knowledge of the motor
1007 vehicle laws and the ability to impart such skill and knowledge to
1008 others. If the applicant successfully completes the examinations and
1009 meets all other requirements of this section, the commissioner shall
1010 issue an instructor's license to such applicant. The license shall be valid
1011 for use only in connection with [the business of the] a drivers' school or
1012 schools [listed on the license] licensed pursuant to section 14-69, as
1013 amended by this act. If the applicant fails the examination, such
1014 applicant may apply for reexamination after [one month] five days.
1015 The license and the license renewal shall be valid for two years.

1016 Sec. 29. Subsection (b) of section 14-145 of the general statutes is
1017 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1018 *1, 2013*):

1019 (b) When such motor vehicle is towed or otherwise removed by a
1020 wrecker licensed under section 14-66, as amended by this act, the

1021 licensee or operator of the wrecker shall notify the local police
1022 department of the tow or removal within two hours. Such notification
1023 shall be submitted in writing or transmitted by facsimile or electronic
1024 mail and the record of such notification shall be retained by such
1025 licensee in accordance with the provisions of section 14-66b. No such
1026 licensee or operator may charge a storage fee for such motor vehicle
1027 for the time it is stored prior to such notification. If the motor vehicle is
1028 not claimed by its owner within the time periods specified in
1029 subsection (e) of section 14-150, as amended by this act, the licensee or
1030 operator of the wrecker or of the garage where such motor vehicle is
1031 stored may dispose of it in accordance with the provisions of
1032 subsection (e) of section 14-150, as amended by this act.

1033 Sec. 30. Subsection (e) of section 14-150 of the general statutes is
1034 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1035 *1, 2013*):

1036 (e) Within forty-eight hours of the time that a motor vehicle is taken
1037 into custody and stored pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) of this section,
1038 the affixing department or parking authority and the owner or keeper
1039 of any garage or other place where such motor vehicle is stored shall
1040 give written notice by certified mail to the owner and any lienholders
1041 of such motor vehicle, if the same appears on the records of the
1042 Department of Motor Vehicles, which notice shall state (1) that the
1043 motor vehicle has been taken into custody and stored, (2) the location
1044 of storage of the motor vehicle, (3) that, unless title has already vested
1045 in the municipality pursuant to subsection (d), such motor vehicle may
1046 be sold after fifteen days if the market value of such motor vehicle
1047 does not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars or after forty-five
1048 days if the value of such motor vehicle exceeds one thousand five
1049 hundred dollars, and (4) that the owner has a right to contest the
1050 validity of such taking by application, on a form prescribed by the
1051 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, to the hearing officer named in such
1052 notice within ten days from the date of such notice. Such application
1053 forms shall be made readily available to the public at all offices of the

1054 Department of Motor Vehicles, parking authorities authorized under
1055 an ordinance adopted pursuant to section 7-204a to enforce parking
1056 regulations and state and local police departments.

1057 Sec. 31. Section 14-163c of the general statutes is repealed and the
1058 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

1059 (a) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may adopt regulations, in
1060 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, which incorporate by
1061 reference the standards set forth in 49 CFR Parts 382 to 397, inclusive,
1062 as amended. Such regulations, adopted by reference to the provisions
1063 of 49 CFR Parts 382 to 397, inclusive, as amended, may be made
1064 applicable to any motor vehicle or motor carrier, as defined in 49 CFR
1065 Part 390, which (1) is in intrastate commerce and has a gross vehicle
1066 weight rating or gross combination weight rating or gross vehicle
1067 weight or gross combination weight of eighteen thousand one or more
1068 pounds; or (2) is in interstate commerce and has a gross vehicle weight
1069 rating or gross combination weight rating or gross vehicle weight or
1070 gross combination weight of ten thousand one or more pounds; or (3)
1071 (A) is designed or used to transport more than eight passengers,
1072 including the driver, for compensation, [except a student
1073 transportation vehicle, as defined in section 14-212,] or (B) is designed
1074 or used to transport more than fifteen passengers, including the driver,
1075 and is not used to transport passengers for compensation; or (4) is used
1076 in the transportation of hazardous materials in a quantity requiring
1077 placarding under the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 USC
1078 App. 1801 to 1813, inclusive, unless exempted under the provisions of
1079 the code or the provisions of subsection (b) of this section.

1080 (b) The provisions relative to maximum hours of service for drivers
1081 as set forth in 49 CFR Part 395, and as adopted by reference in
1082 regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, shall not
1083 apply to any driver of a utility service vehicle, as defined in 49 CFR
1084 Section 395.2, as amended.

1085 (c) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may grant variations or

1086 exemptions from, or approve equivalent or alternate compliance with,
1087 particular provisions of 49 CFR Parts 382 to 397, inclusive, as amended,
1088 when strict compliance with such provisions would entail practical
1089 difficulty or unnecessary hardship or would be otherwise adjudged
1090 unwarranted, provided any such variation, exemption, approved
1091 equivalent or alternate compliance shall, in the opinion of the
1092 commissioner, secure the public safety.

1093 (d) Any state or municipal police officer or motor vehicle inspector
1094 may (1) inspect any motor vehicle specified in subsection (a) of this
1095 section in operation and examine its operator to determine compliance
1096 with the provisions of 49 CFR Parts 100 to 199, inclusive, as amended,
1097 and 49 CFR Parts 382 to 397, inclusive, as amended, (2) enter upon the
1098 premises of any motor carrier, as defined in 49 CFR Section 390.5, as
1099 amended, for the purpose of inspecting and copying records
1100 maintained by such motor carrier, (3) conduct a safety rating
1101 procedure, safety audit or compliance review, in accordance with the
1102 provisions of 49 CFR Part 385, as amended, for any motor carrier that
1103 owns or operates any motor vehicle identified in subsection (a) of this
1104 section and, subject to notice and opportunity for hearing in
1105 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, order any motor carrier
1106 with an unsatisfactory safety rating to cease operations until such time
1107 as it achieves a satisfactory rating, (4) declare a motor vehicle or its
1108 operator out of service, [as provided in 49 CFR Section 395.13 and
1109 Section 396.9, as amended,] or (5) issue an infractions complaint under
1110 the provisions of this section, provided such officer or inspector meets
1111 the standards established by the commissioner, in consultation with
1112 the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, in
1113 regulations adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54.

1114 (e) (1) Any person who violates the provisions of this section or any
1115 regulations adopted under this section shall, for a first violation, have
1116 committed an infraction. (2) The commissioner may impose a civil
1117 penalty on any person for a second or subsequent violation of the
1118 provisions of this section or any regulations adopted under this section

1119 if the acts or conduct on which the conviction is based arise out of the
1120 operation of a motor vehicle in intrastate commerce and would, if such
1121 acts or conduct had occurred with respect to operation of a motor
1122 vehicle in interstate commerce, have subjected such person to a civil
1123 penalty under the provisions of 49 CFR Parts 382 to 397, inclusive, as
1124 amended. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance
1125 with the provisions of chapter 54, to specify the amount of such civil
1126 penalty provided such amount shall be not less than one thousand
1127 dollars nor more than ten thousand dollars. Any person notified of the
1128 assessment of a civil penalty under the provisions of this subsection
1129 shall be entitled to an opportunity for an administrative hearing in
1130 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54. If any person fails to
1131 comply with the terms of a final decision and order of the
1132 commissioner made pursuant to this subsection, the commissioner
1133 may suspend any motor vehicle registration issued to such person or
1134 such person's privilege to register any motor vehicle in this state, or
1135 prohibit the operation of any motor vehicle owned or operated by such
1136 person, until such person complies with the terms of such final
1137 decision and order. As used in this section, "person" includes any
1138 motor carrier, as defined in 49 CFR Section 390.5, as amended.

1139 Sec. 32. Section 14-188 of the general statutes is amended by adding
1140 subsection (e) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

1141 (NEW) (e) Any security interest in a vehicle that was originally
1142 perfected by a financial institution or other institution that (1) is no
1143 longer in existence, and (2) did not execute a release of such security
1144 interest, in accordance with subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of this
1145 section, shall be deemed to be dissolved not earlier than ten years after
1146 such security interest was perfected if the debtor's records cannot be
1147 located by any successor institution to such financial or other
1148 institution.

1149 Sec. 33. Subsection (h) of section 14-267a of the general statutes is
1150 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1151 *1, 2013*):

1152 (h) Whenever signs are displayed on a public highway, indicating
1153 that a scale is in operation and directing the driver of a [commercial
1154 vehicle] motor vehicle described in subsection (a) of section 14-163c, as
1155 amended by this act, to stop at the weighing area, the driver shall stop
1156 and, in accordance with the directions of any state police officer,
1157 [Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection employee
1158 designated by the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public
1159 Protection,] local police officer, Department of Motor Vehicles
1160 inspector, or Department of [Transportation] Motor Vehicles employee
1161 designated by the Commissioner of [Transportation] Motor Vehicles,
1162 allow the vehicle to be weighed or inspected.

1163 Sec. 34. Section 14-267c of the general statutes is repealed and the
1164 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

1165 The owner of a commercial motor vehicle that is equipped with an
1166 auxiliary power or idle reduction technology unit shall, subject to the
1167 conditions described in this section, be granted a weight tolerance
1168 exemption from the gross, total axle, total tandem or bridge formula
1169 weight limits established by section 14-267a. Such weight tolerance
1170 exemption shall authorize the operation of such commercial motor
1171 vehicle with additional weight equal to the actual weight of the
1172 auxiliary power or idle reduction technology unit, but not exceeding
1173 [four] five hundred fifty pounds. Such exemption may be granted by
1174 any official or law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the
1175 provisions of said section 14-267a. To qualify for a weight tolerance
1176 exemption, an owner may be required to produce a written
1177 certification of the weight of such unit, and to show, by means of a
1178 written certification or physical demonstration, that the unit is fully
1179 functional at all times. As used in this section, "auxiliary power or idle
1180 reduction technology unit" means an integrated system, other than the
1181 vehicle's engine, that provides heat, air conditioning, engine warming,
1182 electric components or power to do the work for which the vehicle is
1183 designed.

1184 Sec. 35. Subsection (e) of section 14-286 of the general statutes is

1185 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1186 *1, 2013*):

1187 (e) As used in this section: (1) "Sidewalk" means any sidewalk laid
1188 out as such by any town, city or borough, and any walk which is
1189 reserved by custom for the use of pedestrians, or which has been
1190 specially prepared for their use. "Sidewalk" does not include
1191 crosswalks and does not include footpaths on portions of public
1192 highways outside thickly settled parts of towns, cities and boroughs,
1193 which are worn only by travel and are not improved by such towns,
1194 cities or boroughs or by abutters; (2) "bicycle" includes all vehicles
1195 propelled by the person riding the same by foot or hand power; and
1196 (3) "motor-driven cycle" means any motorcycle, motor scooter or
1197 bicycle with an attached motor with a seat height of not less than
1198 twenty-six inches and a motor [that produces five brake horsepower or
1199 less] having a capacity of less than fifty cubic centimeters piston
1200 displacement.

1201 Sec. 36. Subsection (c) of section 14-286b of the general statutes is
1202 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1203 *1, 2013*):

1204 (c) No person riding upon any bicycle, motor-driven cycle, roller
1205 skates, skis, sled, skateboard, coaster, [or] toy vehicle or any other
1206 vehicle not designed or intended to be towed shall attach the same or
1207 [himself] such person to any vehicle moving or about to move on a
1208 public roadway nor shall the operator of such vehicle knowingly
1209 permit any person riding a bicycle, motor-driven cycle, roller skates,
1210 skis, skateboard, coaster, sled, [or] toy vehicle or any other vehicle not
1211 designed or intended to be towed to attach the same or [himself] such
1212 person to such vehicle so operated or about to be operated, provided
1213 any person operating a bicycle solely by foot or hand power may
1214 attach a bicycle trailer or semitrailer thereto, provided such trailer or
1215 semitrailer is designed for such attachment.

1216 Sec. 37. Section 14-289d of the general statutes is repealed and the

1217 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

1218 (a) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall issue regulations, in
1219 accordance with nationally accepted standards, concerning
1220 specifications for vision-protecting devices, including but not limited
1221 to goggles, glasses, face shields, windshields and wind screens for use
1222 by operators of motorcycles and motor-driven cycles.

1223 (b) Failure to wear either goggles, glasses or a face shield of a type
1224 which conforms to the minimum specifications as called for by such
1225 regulations shall be an infraction. The provisions of this subsection
1226 shall not apply to operators of motorcycles and motor-driven cycles
1227 equipped with a wind screen or windshield which conforms to the
1228 minimum specifications called for by such regulations.

1229 Sec. 38. Subsection (e) of section 14-296aa of the general statutes is
1230 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
1231 *October 1, 2013*):

1232 (e) No person shall use a hand-held mobile telephone or other
1233 electronic device or type, read or send text or a text message with or
1234 from a mobile telephone or mobile electronic device while operating a
1235 commercial motor vehicle, as defined in section 14-1, except for the
1236 purpose of communicating with any of the following regarding an
1237 emergency situation: An emergency response operator; a hospital;
1238 physician's office or health clinic; an ambulance company; a fire
1239 department or a police department.

1240 Sec. 39. Section 14-381 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1241 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

1242 Any owner required to register a snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle
1243 shall apply to the commissioner and shall file evidence of ownership
1244 by affidavit or document. Upon receipt of an application in proper
1245 form and the registration fee, the commissioner shall assign an
1246 identification number and provide the owner with a certificate of
1247 registration and registration plate. The registration plate, which shall

1248 be affixed by the owner, shall be displayed on the snowmobile or all-
1249 terrain vehicle at a place and in a manner prescribed by the
1250 commissioner. In addition to such registration plate, each snowmobile
1251 and all-terrain vehicle so registered shall display its registration
1252 number on each side of its front section, midway between the top and
1253 bottom of said front section, in letters or numbers at least three inches
1254 in height and made of a reflective material. The certificate of
1255 registration shall be carried on such snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle
1256 and shall be available for inspection whenever such snowmobile or all-
1257 terrain vehicle is being operated. The owner shall pay a fee of twenty
1258 dollars for each snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle so registered. Each
1259 such certificate of registration shall expire [biennially on the last day of
1260 March] two years after the date such certificate of registration was
1261 issued.

1262 Sec. 40. Subsection (b) of section 38a-364 of the general statutes is
1263 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
1264 *October 1, 2013*):

1265 (b) Each insurance company that issues private passenger motor
1266 vehicle liability insurance providing the security required by sections
1267 38a-19 and 38a-363 to 38a-388, inclusive, shall issue annually to each
1268 such insured an automobile insurance identification card, in duplicate,
1269 for each insured vehicle, one of which shall be presented to the
1270 commissioner as provided in section 14-12b and the other carried in
1271 the vehicle as provided in section 14-13. Except as provided in
1272 subsection (c) of this section, such card shall be effective for a period of
1273 one year and shall include the name of the insured and insurer, the
1274 policy number, the effective date of coverage, the year, make or model
1275 and vehicle identification number of the insured vehicle, the company
1276 code number assigned to the insurer by the National Association of
1277 Insurance Commissioners and an appropriate space wherein the
1278 insured may set forth the year, make or model and vehicle
1279 identification number of any private passenger motor vehicle that
1280 becomes covered as a result of a change in the covered vehicle during

1281 the effective period of the identification card. When an insured has five
1282 or more private passenger motor vehicles registered in this state, the
1283 insurer may use the designation "all owned vehicles" on each card in
1284 lieu of a specific vehicle description. Each insurance company that
1285 delivers, issues for delivery or renews such private passenger motor
1286 vehicle liability insurance in this state shall include on such card, the
1287 following notice, printed in capital letters and boldface type:

1288 NOTICE:

1289 YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE THE LICENSED REPAIR
1290 SHOP WHERE THE DAMAGE TO YOUR MOTOR VEHICLE WILL
1291 BE REPAIRED.

1292 Sec. 41. Subsection (c) of section 38a-364 of the general statutes is
1293 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
1294 *October 1, 2013*):

1295 (c) Whenever a binder for such insurance is issued by an agent, the
1296 agent shall also issue a temporary identification card, in duplicate, for
1297 each covered vehicle effective for a period of sixty days from the date
1298 on which the binder becomes effective. Such temporary cards shall
1299 include the name of the insured and insurer, the company code
1300 number assigned to the insurer by the National Association of
1301 Insurance Commissioners, the printed name and signature of the agent
1302 or authorized representative, the effective date of the binder, the policy
1303 number or, if such number is not available, the agent's code number
1304 and the year, make or model and vehicle identification number of the
1305 insured vehicle.

1306 Sec. 42. Subsection (a) of section 38a-683 of the general statutes is
1307 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1308 *1, 2013*):

1309 (a) The premium charges for a private passenger nonfleet
1310 automobile under an automobile liability or physical damage
1311 insurance policy for any principal operator who has attained the age of

1312 sixty years and has submitted proof of successful completion of [a
1313 four-hour] an accident prevention course of not less than four hours
1314 approved by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall be
1315 appropriately modified to reflect such operator's reduced exposure to
1316 loss. Such course shall be completed within one year prior to the initial
1317 application of the discount or, for subsequent applications of the
1318 discount, within one year of the expiration of the current discount
1319 period. If proof of successful completion of such course is submitted
1320 during the term of a policy, any premium modification shall become
1321 effective upon the next renewal. A minimum discount of five per cent
1322 shall be applicable to premium charges for such automobile for
1323 policies effective on and after July 1, 1983. The discount shall apply to
1324 the premium charges for the automobile for at least twenty-four
1325 months. This section shall not apply to any group automobile
1326 insurance policy issued pursuant to section 38a-803 under which
1327 premiums are broadly averaged for the group rather than determined
1328 individually.

1329 Sec. 43. Subsection (c) of section 54-33a of the general statutes is
1330 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1331 *1, 2013*):

1332 (c) A warrant may issue only on affidavit sworn to by the
1333 complainant or complainants before the judge or judge trial referee
1334 and establishing the grounds for issuing the warrant, which affidavit
1335 shall be part of the arrest file. If the judge or judge trial referee is
1336 satisfied that grounds for the application exist or that there is probable
1337 cause to believe that they exist, the judge or judge trial referee shall
1338 issue a warrant identifying the property and naming or describing the
1339 person, place or thing to be searched. The warrant shall be directed to
1340 any police officer of a regularly organized police department or any
1341 state police officer, to an inspector in the Division of Criminal Justice,
1342 [or] to a conservation officer, special conservation officer or patrolman
1343 acting pursuant to section 26-6 or to a sworn motor vehicle inspector
1344 acting under the authority of section 14-8. The warrant shall state the

1345 date and time of its issuance and the grounds or probable cause for its
1346 issuance and shall command the officer to search within a reasonable
1347 time the person, place or thing named, for the property specified. The
1348 inadvertent failure of the issuing judge or judge trial referee to state on
1349 the warrant the time of its issuance shall not in and of itself invalidate
1350 the warrant.

1351 Sec. 44. Subsection (c) of section 54-56e of the general statutes is
1352 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
1353 *January 1, 2014*):

1354 (c) This section shall not be applicable: (1) To any person charged
1355 with a class A felony, a class B felony, except a violation of section 53a-
1356 122 that does not involve the use, attempted use or threatened use of
1357 physical force against another person, or a violation of section 14-227a,
1358 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 53-21, section 53a-56b, 53a-
1359 60d, 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70b, 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b, 53a-90a, 53a-
1360 196e or 53a-196f, (2) to any person charged with a crime or motor
1361 vehicle violation who, as a result of the commission of such crime or
1362 motor vehicle violation, causes the death of another person, (3) to any
1363 person accused of a family violence crime as defined in section 46b-38a
1364 who (A) is eligible for the pretrial family violence education program
1365 established under section 46b-38c, or (B) has previously had the
1366 pretrial family violence education program invoked in such person's
1367 behalf, (4) to any person charged with a violation of section 21a-267 or
1368 21a-279 who (A) is eligible for the pretrial drug education program
1369 established under section 54-56i, or (B) has previously had the pretrial
1370 drug education program invoked in such person's behalf, (5) unless
1371 good cause is shown, to any person charged with a class C felony, [or]
1372 (6) to any person charged with a violation of section 9-359 or 9-359a, or
1373 (7) to any person charged with a motor vehicle violation (A) while
1374 operating a commercial motor vehicle, as defined in section 14-1, or (B)
1375 who holds a commercial driver's license or commercial driver's
1376 instruction permit at the time of the violation.

1377 Sec. 45. Subsection (h) of section 54-56g of the general statutes is

1378 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
1379 *January 1, 2014*):

1380 (h) The provisions of this section shall not be applicable in the case
1381 of any person charged with a violation of section 14-227a (1) while
1382 operating a commercial motor vehicle, as defined in section 14-1, or (2)
1383 who holds a commercial driver's license or commercial driver's
1384 instruction permit at the time of the violation.

1385 Sec. 46. Section 14-65f of the general statutes is repealed and the
1386 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

1387 (a) (1) Prior to performing any repair work on a motor vehicle, a
1388 motor vehicle repair shop shall obtain a written authorization to
1389 perform the work, on an invoice signed by the customer, that includes
1390 an estimate in writing of the maximum cost to the customer of the
1391 parts and labor necessary for the specific job authorized. A repair shop
1392 shall not charge for work done or parts supplied without a written
1393 authorization or in excess of the estimate unless the customer gives
1394 consent orally or in writing.

1395 (2) In addition to, or as part of, the written authorization set forth in
1396 subdivision (1) of this subsection, a motor vehicle repair shop shall
1397 obtain a written acknowledgment that the customer is aware of his or
1398 her right to choose the licensed repair shop where the motor vehicle
1399 will be repaired. Such acknowledgment shall read as follows: "I am
1400 aware of my right to choose the licensed repair shop where the
1401 damage to the motor vehicle will be repaired." A repair shop shall not
1402 repair a motor vehicle without such acknowledgment, which may be
1403 transmitted by facsimile or by electronic mail.

1404 (b) If the repair shop is unable to estimate the cost of repair because
1405 the specific repairs to be performed are not known at the time the
1406 vehicle is delivered to the repair shop, the written authorization
1407 required by this section need not include an estimate of the maximum
1408 cost of parts and labor. In such a case, prior to commencing any

1409 repairs, the repair shop shall notify the customer of the work to be
1410 performed and the estimated maximum cost to the customer of the
1411 necessary parts and labor, obtain the customer's written or oral
1412 authorization and record such information on the invoice.

1413 (c) If, during the course of performing repair work, the repair shop
1414 discovers that repairs other than those authorized are needed or that
1415 the cost of authorized repairs will exceed the estimate, the repair shop
1416 shall not proceed with the repairs without first obtaining the
1417 customer's additional written or oral consent and recording such
1418 information on the invoice.

1419 (d) No repair shop shall have a claim against a motor vehicle for
1420 repairs, other than for repairs actually performed and authorized, in an
1421 amount greater than that authorized by the customer under the
1422 provisions of sections 14-65e to 14-65j, inclusive.

1423 (e) If a motor vehicle is delivered to a repair shop at a time when the
1424 shop is not open for business, the authorization to repair the vehicle
1425 and the estimate of the cost of parts and labor may be given orally but
1426 shall be recorded on the invoice.

1427 (f) Unless requested by a customer, the requirement for a repair
1428 shop to furnish an advance written estimate shall not apply to repair
1429 work for which the total cost for parts and labor is less than fifty
1430 dollars.

1431 (g) Violation of any provision of this section shall be an infraction.

1432 Sec. 47. Section 14-65g of the general statutes is repealed and the
1433 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

1434 (a) A customer may waive his right to the estimate of the costs of
1435 parts and labor required by section 14-65f, only in writing in
1436 accordance with this section. Such a waiver shall include an
1437 authorization to perform reasonable and necessary repairs to remedy
1438 the problems complained of, at a cost not to exceed a fixed dollar

1439 amount. The waiver shall be signed by the customer and the customer
1440 shall be given a fully completed copy of the waiver at the time it is
1441 signed. No repair shop shall use waivers to evade its duties under
1442 sections 14-65e to 14-65j, inclusive, and section 14-65l.

1443 (b) Every waiver shall be substantially in the following form:

1444 WAIVER OF ADVANCE ESTIMATE

1445 I voluntarily request that repairs be performed on my vehicle
1446 without an advance estimate of their cost. By signing this form, I
1447 authorize reasonable and necessary costs to remedy the problems
1448 complained of up to a maximum of \$..... The repair shop may not
1449 exceed this amount without my written or oral consent.

1450 Identification of Vehicle

1451 Date

1452 Time

1453

1454 Customer's Signature

1455 (c) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall determine the size,
1456 type face and arrangement of the waiver form, consistent with
1457 subsection (b) of this section.

1458 (d) Each repair shop shall maintain a written record of oral consents
1459 and authorizations, which may be recorded on the invoice.

1460 (e) Prior to performing any repairs on a customer's vehicle, a repair
1461 shop shall record on the invoice in writing the following information:
1462 (1) The name and address of the customer and the telephone number
1463 at which the customer may be reached during normal working hours;
1464 (2) the date and approximate time the customer's vehicle was delivered
1465 to the repair shop; (3) the year, make and registration number of the

1466 customer's vehicle; (4) the odometer reading on the customer's vehicle;
1467 and (5) the specific repairs requested by the customer. If the customer
1468 has not requested specific repairs, the shop shall record a brief
1469 description of the nature of the problem that requires repair.

1470 (f) Any repair shop that charges for an estimate or diagnosis shall
1471 inform the customer of the amount of such charge before making the
1472 estimate or diagnosis and shall obtain the customer's consent, which
1473 consent shall be written if requested by the customer or if such charge
1474 is fifty dollars or more.

1475 (g) Violation of any provision of this section shall be an infraction.

1476 Sec. 48. Section 14-65h of the general statutes is repealed and the
1477 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

1478 (a) All work done by a motor vehicle repair shop, including sublet
1479 repair work or repair work under warranty, shall be recorded on an
1480 invoice which shall specify the name and address of the repair shop,
1481 describe all service work done and parts supplied and state the cost of
1482 such service work and parts supplied, separately itemized. If any used
1483 parts are supplied, the invoice shall clearly state that fact. If any
1484 component system installed is composed of new and used parts, such
1485 invoice shall clearly state that fact. One copy of the invoice shall be
1486 given to the customer and one copy shall be retained by the motor
1487 vehicle repair shop. Any warranty made by a repair shop with respect
1488 to any repair work performed shall be stated in writing. If such written
1489 warranty does not include the cost of both parts and labor, it shall
1490 specifically state which is excluded from the scope of such warranty.

1491 (b) The motor vehicle repair shop shall make available to the
1492 customer, if requested by the customer at the time written or oral
1493 authorization is provided for work to be performed, all replaced parts,
1494 components or equipment. If the repair shop is required to return such
1495 parts, components or equipment to the manufacturer or other person
1496 under any warranty or rebuilding arrangement, the repair shop shall

1497 make them available to the customer for inspection only.

1498 (c) Violation of any provision of this section shall be an infraction.

1499 Sec. 49. Section 14-65i of the general statutes is repealed and the
1500 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

1501 (a) Each motor vehicle repair shop shall prominently display a sign
1502 twenty-four inches by thirty-six inches in each area of its premises
1503 where work orders are placed by customers. The sign, which shall be
1504 in boldface type, shall read as follows:

1505 THIS ESTABLISHMENT IS LICENSED WITH THE

1506 STATE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

1507 EACH CUSTOMER IS ENTITLED TO...

1508 _____

1509 1. A WRITTEN ESTIMATE FOR REPAIR WORK.

1510 2. A DETAILED INVOICE OF WORK DONE AND PARTS
1511 SUPPLIED.

1512 3. RETURN OF REPLACED PARTS, PROVIDED THE REQUEST IS
1513 MADE AT THE TIME WRITTEN OR ORAL AUTHORIZATION IS
1514 PROVIDED FOR WORK TO BE PERFORMED.

1515 _____

1516 NO REPAIR WORK MAY BE UNDERTAKEN ON A VEHICLE
1517 WITHOUT THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE CUSTOMER.

1518 NO CHARGES FOR REPAIR MAY BE MADE IN EXCESS OF THE
1519 WRITTEN ESTIMATE WITHOUT THE WRITTEN OR ORAL
1520 CONSENT OF THE CUSTOMER.

1521 _____

1522 QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE ABOVE SHOULD BE DIRECTED
1523 TO THE MANAGER OF THIS REPAIR FACILITY.

1524 UNRESOLVED QUESTIONS REGARDING SERVICE WORK MAY BE
1525 SUBMITTED TO:

1526

1527 DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

1528 DEALER REPAIR DIVISION

1529 60 STATE STREET, WETHERSFIELD, CONNECTICUT

1530 TELEPHONE:

1531 HOURS OF OPERATION:

1532 (b) Each motor vehicle repair shop shall post a sign, as required by
1533 this subsection, in each area of its premises where work orders are
1534 placed by customers. The sign shall state: (1) The hourly charge for
1535 labor; (2) the conditions, if any, under which the shop may impose
1536 charges for storage, and the amount of any such charges; and (3) the
1537 charge, if any, for a diagnosis.

1538 (c) Each motor vehicle repair shop shall prominently display a sign
1539 in each area of its premises where work orders are placed by
1540 customers. The sign, which shall be in boldface type, shall read as
1541 follows:

1542 NOTICE:

1543 THE CUSTOMER HAS THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE THE LICENSED
1544 REPAIR SHOP WHERE THE DAMAGE TO HIS OR HER MOTOR
1545 VEHICLE WILL BE REPAIRED.

1546 (d) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall determine the size,
1547 type face and form of the signs required by this section.

1548 (e) Violation of any provision of this section shall be an infraction.

1549 Sec. 50. Section 14-65j of the general statutes is repealed and the
1550 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

1551 (a) No repair shop shall make any statement to a customer which it
1552 knows or should know to be false or misleading. Such statements
1553 include, but are not limited to, statements as to the necessity of repairs,
1554 the condition of the customer's vehicle, and whether particular repairs
1555 have been performed by the shop.

1556 (b) No repair shop shall charge a customer for repairs which have
1557 not been performed.

1558 (c) A repair shop shall complete repairs on a motor vehicle on the
1559 same business day the vehicle is delivered to the repair shop by the
1560 customer, unless: (1) The customer is informed at the time the vehicle
1561 is delivered that repairs will not be completed on the day of delivery;
1562 (2) the customer consents to a later date of completion; or (3) as soon as
1563 it learns that repairs will not be completed on the day of delivery, the
1564 repair shop makes reasonable efforts to notify the customer and obtain
1565 consent but is unable to contact the customer. Such efforts shall be
1566 included in the record required by subsection (d) of section 14-65g.

1567 (d) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall adopt regulations in
1568 accordance with chapter 54 to carry out the provisions of sections 14-
1569 65e to 14-65j, inclusive.

1570 (e) A violation of subsection (a) or (b) of this section shall be a class
1571 B misdemeanor.

1572 Sec. 51. Subsection (b) of section 14-36 of the general statutes is
1573 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
1574 *passage*):

1575 (b) (1) A person eighteen years of age or older who does not hold a
1576 motor vehicle operator's license may not operate a motor vehicle on

1577 the public highways of the state for the purpose of instruction until
1578 such person has applied for and obtained an adult instruction permit
1579 from the commissioner. Such person shall not be eligible for an adult
1580 instruction permit if such person has had a motor vehicle operator's
1581 license or privilege suspended or revoked. An adult instruction permit
1582 shall entitle the holder, while such holder has the permit in his or her
1583 immediate possession, to operate a motor vehicle on the public
1584 highways, provided such holder is under the instruction of, and
1585 accompanied by, a person who holds an instructor's license issued
1586 under the provisions of section 14-73 or a person twenty years of age
1587 or older who has been licensed to operate, for at least four years
1588 preceding the instruction, a motor vehicle of the same class as the
1589 motor vehicle being operated and who has not had his or her motor
1590 vehicle operator's license suspended by the commissioner during the
1591 four-year period preceding the instruction. The Commissioner of
1592 Motor Vehicles shall not issue a motor vehicle operator's license to any
1593 person holding an adult instruction permit who has held such permit
1594 for less than ninety days unless such person (A) is a member of the
1595 armed forces on active duty outside the state, or (B) has previously
1596 held a Connecticut motor vehicle operator's license. (2) A person
1597 holding a valid out-of-state motor vehicle operator's license may
1598 operate a motor vehicle for a period of thirty days following such
1599 person's establishment of residence in Connecticut, if the motor vehicle
1600 is of the same class as that for which his or her out-of-state motor
1601 vehicle operator's license was issued. (3) No person may cause or
1602 permit the operation of a motor vehicle by a person under sixteen
1603 years of age.

1604 Sec. 52. Subsection (g) of section 14-227a of the general statutes is
1605 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1606 *1, 2013*):

1607 (g) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (a) of this
1608 section shall: (1) For conviction of a first violation, (A) be fined not less
1609 than five hundred dollars or more than one thousand dollars, and (B)

1610 be (i) imprisoned not more than six months, forty-eight consecutive
1611 hours of which may not be suspended or reduced in any manner, or
1612 (ii) imprisoned not more than six months, with the execution of such
1613 sentence of imprisonment suspended entirely and a period of
1614 probation imposed requiring as a condition of such probation that
1615 such person perform one hundred hours of community service, as
1616 defined in section 14-227e, and (C) have such person's motor vehicle
1617 operator's license or nonresident operating privilege suspended for
1618 forty-five days and, as a condition for the restoration of such license,
1619 be required to install an ignition interlock device on each motor vehicle
1620 owned or operated by such person and, upon such restoration, be
1621 prohibited for the one-year period following such restoration from
1622 operating a motor vehicle unless such motor vehicle is equipped with
1623 a functioning, approved ignition interlock device, as defined in section
1624 14-227j; (2) for conviction of a second violation within ten years after a
1625 prior conviction for the same offense, (A) be fined not less than one
1626 thousand dollars or more than four thousand dollars, (B) be
1627 imprisoned not more than two years, one hundred twenty consecutive
1628 days of which may not be suspended or reduced in any manner, and
1629 sentenced to a period of probation requiring as a condition of such
1630 probation that such person: (i) Perform one hundred hours of
1631 community service, as defined in section 14-227e, (ii) submit to an
1632 assessment through the Court Support Services Division of the Judicial
1633 Branch of the degree of such person's alcohol or drug abuse, and (iii)
1634 undergo a treatment program if so ordered, and (C) (i) if such person is
1635 under twenty-one years of age at the time of the offense, have such
1636 person's motor vehicle operator's license or nonresident operating
1637 privilege suspended for forty-five days or until the date of such
1638 person's twenty-first birthday, whichever is longer, and, as a condition
1639 for the restoration of such license, be required to install an ignition
1640 interlock device on each motor vehicle owned or operated by such
1641 person and, upon such restoration, be prohibited for the three-year
1642 period following such restoration from operating a motor vehicle
1643 unless such motor vehicle is equipped with a functioning, approved
1644 ignition interlock device, as defined in section 14-227j, except that for

1645 the first year of such three-year period, such person's operation of a
1646 motor vehicle shall be limited to such person's transportation to or
1647 from work or school, an alcohol or drug abuse treatment program, [or]
1648 an ignition interlock device service center or an appointment with a
1649 probation officer, or (ii) if such person is twenty-one years of age or
1650 older at the time of the offense, have such person's motor vehicle
1651 operator's license or nonresident operating privilege suspended for
1652 forty-five days and, as a condition for the restoration of such license,
1653 be required to install an ignition interlock device on each motor vehicle
1654 owned or operated by such person and, upon such restoration, be
1655 prohibited for the three-year period following such restoration from
1656 operating a motor vehicle unless such motor vehicle is equipped with
1657 a functioning, approved ignition interlock device, as defined in section
1658 14-227j, except that for the first year of such three-year period, such
1659 person's operation of a motor vehicle shall be limited to such person's
1660 transportation to or from work or school, an alcohol or drug abuse
1661 treatment program, [or] an ignition interlock device service center or
1662 an appointment with a probation officer; and (3) for conviction of a
1663 third and subsequent violation within ten years after a prior conviction
1664 for the same offense, (A) be fined not less than two thousand dollars or
1665 more than eight thousand dollars, (B) be imprisoned not more than
1666 three years, one year of which may not be suspended or reduced in
1667 any manner, and sentenced to a period of probation requiring as a
1668 condition of such probation that such person: (i) Perform one hundred
1669 hours of community service, as defined in section 14-227e, (ii) submit
1670 to an assessment through the Court Support Services Division of the
1671 Judicial Branch of the degree of such person's alcohol or drug abuse,
1672 and (iii) undergo a treatment program if so ordered, and (C) have such
1673 person's motor vehicle operator's license or nonresident operating
1674 privilege permanently revoked upon such third offense, except that if
1675 such person's revocation is reversed or reduced pursuant to subsection
1676 (i) of section 14-111, such person shall be prohibited from operating a
1677 motor vehicle unless such motor vehicle is equipped with a
1678 functioning, approved ignition interlock device, as defined in section
1679 14-227j, for the time period prescribed in subdivision (2) of subsection

1680 (i) of section 14-111. For purposes of the imposition of penalties for a
1681 second or third and subsequent offense pursuant to this subsection, a
1682 conviction under the provisions of subsection (a) of this section in
1683 effect on October 1, 1981, or as amended thereafter, a conviction under
1684 the provisions of either subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of this
1685 section, a conviction under the provisions of section 53a-56b or 53a-60d
1686 or a conviction in any other state of any offense the essential elements
1687 of which are determined by the court to be substantially the same as
1688 subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of this section or section 53a-56b
1689 or 53a-60d, shall constitute a prior conviction for the same offense.

1690 Sec. 53. Subdivision (1) of subsection (i) of section 14-227a of the
1691 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
1692 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

1693 (i) (1) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall permit a person
1694 whose license has been suspended in accordance with the provisions
1695 of subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) or subparagraph (C)(i) or (C)(ii)
1696 of subdivision (2) of subsection (g) of this section to operate a motor
1697 vehicle if (A) such person has served the suspension required under
1698 said subparagraph, notwithstanding that such person has not
1699 completed serving any suspension required under subsection (i) of
1700 section 14-227b, and (B) such person has installed an approved ignition
1701 interlock device in each motor vehicle owned or to be operated by such
1702 person, and verifies to the commissioner, in such manner as the
1703 commissioner prescribes, that such device has been installed. For a
1704 period of one year after the installation of an ignition interlock device
1705 by a person who is subject to subparagraph (C)(i) or (C)(ii) of
1706 subdivision (2) of subsection (g) of this section, such person's operation
1707 of a motor vehicle shall be limited to such person's transportation to or
1708 from work or school, an alcohol or drug abuse treatment program, [or]
1709 an ignition interlock device service center or an appointment with a
1710 probation officer. Except as provided in sections 53a-56b and 53a-60d,
1711 no person whose license is suspended by the commissioner for any
1712 other reason shall be eligible to operate a motor vehicle equipped with

1713 an approved ignition interlock device.

1714 Sec. 54. Subdivision (6) of subsection (i) of section 14-227a of the
1715 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
1716 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

1717 (6) Whenever a person is permitted by the commissioner under this
1718 subsection to operate a motor vehicle if such person has installed an
1719 approved ignition interlock device in each motor vehicle owned or to
1720 be operated by such person, the commissioner shall indicate in the
1721 electronic record maintained by the commissioner pertaining to such
1722 person's operator's license or driving history that such person is
1723 restricted to operating a motor vehicle that is equipped with an
1724 ignition interlock device and, if applicable, that such person's
1725 operation of a motor vehicle is limited to such person's transportation
1726 to or from work or school, an alcohol or drug abuse treatment
1727 program, [or] an ignition interlock device service center or an
1728 appointment with a probation officer, and the duration of such
1729 restriction or limitation, and shall ensure that such electronic record is
1730 accessible by law enforcement officers. Any such person shall pay the
1731 commissioner a fee of one hundred dollars prior to the installation of
1732 such device.

1733 Sec. 55. Section 7-313a of the general statutes is repealed and the
1734 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

1735 The authorities having the supervision of the fire department of any
1736 town, city, borough or district may appoint such number of fire
1737 department members or other persons, within available
1738 appropriations, as they deem necessary to be fire police officers of such
1739 municipality or district, who shall have the powers and perform the
1740 duties in such municipality or district as designated and authorized by
1741 the fire chief of such municipality or district, and such fire police
1742 officers may exercise such powers and duties in any other municipality
1743 or district while on duty with the fire department or with a
1744 cooperating fire department, where the department is engaged in

1745 mutual assistance. Such powers and duties shall include traffic control
1746 and regulation and may be exercised by such fire police during any
1747 fire drill or fire call or at any other time when such fire police are
1748 serving with the fire department, with any other fire department in
1749 another municipality or district or with any fire department rendering
1750 mutual assistance. Each such fire police officer while in the
1751 performance of fire police duties shall wear the badge of office in plain
1752 view of any observer. Each such fire police officer, while directing
1753 traffic in performance of the duties of fire police, shall (1) wear (A) a
1754 helmet with the words "Fire Police" in red letters on the front thereof,
1755 any other headgear that meets national, state and local traffic safety
1756 standards or a regulation fire-police dress uniform cap, and (B) a traffic
1757 safety vest, orange or lime green raincoat or any reflectorized orange
1758 or lime green outer clothing, that meets national, state and local traffic
1759 safety standards, (2) carry a flashlight, which shall have a red or
1760 orange wand and be capable of projecting a clear light for the purpose
1761 of illumination at nighttime, and (3) utilize hand-held or portable
1762 traffic control devices appropriate for the time of day, weather and
1763 traffic flow. Such helmet, cap, vest, raincoat or outer clothing, badge,
1764 traffic control equipment and flashlight may be supplied by the
1765 appointing municipality or district. Any person who violates this
1766 section by failing to obey any signal given by a fire police officer
1767 directing traffic in performance of the duties of fire police shall be
1768 deemed to have committed an infraction.

1769 Sec. 56. Subsection (d) of section 14-99h of the general statutes is
1770 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1771 *1, 2013*):

1772 (d) A motor vehicle dealer, licensed in accordance with section 14-52
1773 and meeting qualifications established by the commissioner, may
1774 verify a manufacturer's vehicle identification number to satisfy any
1775 provision requiring such verification in this chapter, or chapter 246a or
1776 247. Such verification shall be provided in a written affidavit signed by
1777 such a motor vehicle dealer, or his designee, and submitted to the

1778 commissioner. Such affidavit shall contain a statement that the
1779 manufacturer's vehicle identification number corresponds to such
1780 number (1) on the manufacturer's or importer's certificate of origin, if
1781 the motor vehicle is new, [or] (2) on a current certificate of title, [for all
1782 other vehicles] or (3) on a current motor vehicle registration document.
1783 Such affidavit shall also contain a statement that the vehicle
1784 identification number has not been mutilated, altered or removed.

1785 Sec. 57. Subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 14-36 of the
1786 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
1787 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

1788 (d) (1) No motor vehicle operator's license shall be issued to any
1789 applicant who is sixteen or seventeen years of age unless the applicant
1790 has held a youth instruction permit and has satisfied the requirements
1791 specified in this subsection. The applicant shall (A) present to the
1792 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles a certificate of the successful
1793 completion (i) in a public secondary school, a state technical high
1794 school or a private secondary school of a full course of study in motor
1795 vehicle operation prepared as provided in section 14-36e, (ii) of
1796 training of similar nature provided by a licensed drivers' school
1797 approved by the commissioner, or (iii) of home training in accordance
1798 with subdivision (2) of this subsection, including, in each case, or by a
1799 combination of such types of training, successful completion of: Not
1800 less than forty clock hours of behind-the-wheel, on-the-road
1801 instruction for applicants to whom a youth instruction permit is issued
1802 on or after August 1, 2008; (B) present to the commissioner a certificate
1803 of the successful completion of a course of not less than eight hours
1804 relative to safe driving practices, including a minimum of four hours
1805 on the nature and the medical, biological and physiological effects of
1806 alcohol and drugs and their impact on the operator of a motor vehicle,
1807 the dangers associated with the operation of a motor vehicle after the
1808 consumption of alcohol or drugs by the operator, the problems of
1809 alcohol and drug abuse and the penalties for alcohol and drug-related
1810 motor vehicle violations; and (C) pass an examination which may

1811 include a comprehensive test as to knowledge of the laws concerning
1812 motor vehicles and the rules of the road in addition to the test required
1813 under subsection (c) of this section and shall include an on-the-road
1814 skills test as prescribed by the commissioner. At the time of application
1815 and examination for a motor vehicle operator's license, an applicant
1816 sixteen or seventeen years of age shall have held a youth instruction
1817 permit for not less than one hundred eighty days, except that an
1818 applicant who presents a certificate under subparagraph (A)(i) or
1819 subparagraph (A)(ii) of this subdivision shall have held a youth
1820 instruction permit for not less than one hundred twenty days and an
1821 applicant who is undergoing training and instruction by the
1822 handicapped driver training unit in accordance with the provisions of
1823 section 14-11b shall have held such permit for the period of time
1824 required by said unit. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall
1825 approve the content of the safe driving instruction at drivers' schools,
1826 high schools and other secondary schools. Subject to such standards
1827 and requirements as the commissioner may impose, the commissioner
1828 may authorize any drivers' school, licensed in good standing in
1829 accordance with the provisions of section 14-69, or secondary school
1830 driver education program authorized pursuant to the provisions of
1831 section 14-36e, to administer the comprehensive test as to knowledge
1832 of the laws concerning motor vehicles and the rules of the road,
1833 required pursuant to subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, as part of
1834 the safe driving practices course required pursuant to subparagraph
1835 (B) of this subdivision, and to certify to the commissioner, under oath,
1836 the results of each such test administered. Such hours of instruction
1837 required by this subdivision shall be included as part of or in addition
1838 to any existing instruction programs. Any fee charged for the course
1839 required under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision shall not exceed
1840 [one hundred twenty-five dollars, unless the comprehensive test as to
1841 knowledge of the laws concerning motor vehicles and the rules of the
1842 road is also administered, in which case the fee shall not exceed] one
1843 hundred fifty dollars. Any applicant sixteen or seventeen years of age
1844 who, while a resident of another state, completed the course required
1845 in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, but did not complete the safe

1846 driving course required in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, shall
1847 complete the safe driving course. The commissioner may waive any
1848 requirement in this subdivision, except for that in subparagraph (C) of
1849 this subdivision, in the case of an applicant sixteen or seventeen years
1850 of age who holds a valid motor vehicle operator's license issued by any
1851 other state, provided the commissioner is satisfied that the applicant
1852 has received training and instruction of a similar nature.

1853 Sec. 58. Subsection (b) of section 14-275 of the general statutes is
1854 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1855 *1, 2013*):

1856 (b) Each school bus shall be painted a uniform yellow color known
1857 as "National School Bus Glossy Yellow", except for the fenders and
1858 trim which may be painted black and the roof which may be painted
1859 white, and shall have conspicuously painted on the rear and on the
1860 front of such vehicle, in black lettering of a size to be determined by
1861 the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, the words "School Bus-Stop on
1862 Signal", except that each school bus equipped with an eight-light
1863 warning system shall have the words "School Bus" painted on the rear
1864 and on the front of such vehicle in such lettering. The sides of such
1865 vehicles may be inscribed with the words "School Bus", the school
1866 name or such other legend or device as may be necessary for purposes
1867 of identification or safety. Each school bus, and any student
1868 transportation vehicle, as defined in section 14-212, regularly used by
1869 any town, regional school district, private school or entity contracting
1870 with such town, regional school district or private school to transport
1871 school children to and from school or school activities, shall have
1872 conspicuously painted on the rear and sides of such bus or student
1873 transportation vehicle, in black lettering of a size to be determined by
1874 the commissioner, the name of the school bus company, the school bus
1875 company's telephone number and the school bus number or the name
1876 of the owner or operator of such student transportation vehicle, the
1877 telephone number of such owner or operator and the fleet number of
1878 such student transportation vehicle.

1879 Sec. 59. Subsection (j) of section 14-150 of the general statutes is
 1880 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
 1881 *1, 2013*):

1882 (j) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall adopt regulations, in
 1883 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, (1) specifying the
 1884 circumstances under which title to any motor vehicle abandoned
 1885 within the limits of any highway may be transferred to any person,
 1886 firm or corporation towing such vehicle, and (2) establishing the
 1887 procedure whereby such person, firm or corporation may obtain title
 1888 to such motor vehicle. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in
 1889 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, specifying the
 1890 circumstances under which the owner of a campground may dispose
 1891 of a motor home or recreational vehicle abandoned on such owner's
 1892 property and establishing procedures governing such disposal."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	1-24
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	1-217(a)
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-1(52)
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-1(63)
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-1(80)
Sec. 6	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-9a
Sec. 7	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-12b(a)
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-15(a)
Sec. 9	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-33(a)
Sec. 10	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-33a
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-36a
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-36h(a)
Sec. 13	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-37a(a)
Sec. 14	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-40a(c)
Sec. 15	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-41(b)
Sec. 16	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-41a
Sec. 17	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-44i(a)
Sec. 18	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-44k(h)
Sec. 19	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-44k(k)

Sec. 20	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-49(f)
Sec. 21	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-50(a)
Sec. 22	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-60
Sec. 23	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-62
Sec. 24	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-63(b)
Sec. 25	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-65(f)
Sec. 26	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-66
Sec. 27	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-69
Sec. 28	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-73(d)
Sec. 29	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-145(b)
Sec. 30	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-150(e)
Sec. 31	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-163c
Sec. 32	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-188
Sec. 33	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-267a(h)
Sec. 34	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-267c
Sec. 35	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-286(e)
Sec. 36	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-286b(c)
Sec. 37	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	14-289d
Sec. 38	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-296aa(e)
Sec. 39	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-381
Sec. 40	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	38a-364(b)
Sec. 41	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	38a-364(c)
Sec. 42	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	38a-683(a)
Sec. 43	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	54-33a(c)
Sec. 44	<i>January 1, 2014</i>	54-56e(c)
Sec. 45	<i>January 1, 2014</i>	54-56g(h)
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