



Senate

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 999

Senate, March 8, 2001

The Committee on Judiciary reported through SEN. COLEMAN of the 2nd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF A CERTIFICATE OF IDENTIFICATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION TO OBTAIN AN IDENTITY CARD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Subsection (a) of section 1-1h of the general statutes is repealed and
2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) Any person who does not possess a valid motor vehicle
4 operator's license may apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles for
5 an identity card. The application for an identity card shall be
6 accompanied by the birth certificate of the applicant or a certificate of
7 identification of the applicant issued and authorized for such use by
8 the Department of Correction. Such application shall include: (1) The
9 applicant's name; (2) the applicant's address; (3) whether the address is
10 permanent or temporary; (4) the applicant's birthdate; (5) notice to the
11 applicant that false statements on such application are punishable
12 under section 53a-157b; and (6) such other pertinent information as the

13 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles deems necessary. A fee of ten dollars
14 shall be paid to the department upon issuance to the applicant of an
15 identity card which contains a picture of the applicant and specifies the
16 applicant's height, sex and eye color. The applicant shall sign the
17 application in the presence of an official of the department. The
18 commissioner may waive the ten-dollar fee for any applicant who has
19 voluntarily surrendered such applicant's motor vehicle operator's
20 license or whose license has been refused by the commissioner
21 pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection (e) of section 14-36.

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The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Affected Agencies: Departments of Correction and Motor Vehicles

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

State Impact:

This bill requires the Department of Correction (DOC) to authorize their identification certificates for use by the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) for identification purposes. This authorization requirement can be accomplished by the DOC staff within available resources. Since 1999, due to DOC concerns, the DMV has issued very few (if any) identity cards using DOC identification certificates.

OLR Bill Analysis

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AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF A CERTIFICATE OF IDENTIFICATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION TO OBTAIN AN IDENTITY CARD.**SUMMARY:**

This bill limits the forms of identification the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) can accept from identity card applicants. Currently, they may submit either birth or Department of Correction (DOC) identification certificates. Under the bill, DMV may not accept an identification certificate unless the DOC has authorized its use for that purpose.

DMV issues identity cards to applicants who do not have valid driver's licenses. They bear the person's photograph, signature, height, sex, and eye color.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2001

COMMITTEE ACTION

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute Report

Yea 39 Nay 0