



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5617

LCO No. 2075

Referred to Committee on General Law

Introduced by:
(GL)

**AN ACT CONCERNING RESIDENT VETERAN HAWKER AND
PEDDLER FEE EXEMPTIONS.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 21-37 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

3 Any town may make reasonable ordinances with reference to the
4 vending or hawking upon its public streets or upon any state highway,
5 except limited access highways, within such town or any land abutting
6 such streets or highways of any goods, wares or other merchandise at
7 public or private sale or auction, or to the vending or peddling of such
8 articles from house to house within its limits, including the imposition
9 of a fee, not exceeding two hundred dollars a year, applicable with
10 respect to any person engaged in such vending, hawking or peddling,
11 for the privilege of so vending, hawking or peddling such
12 merchandise. Any ordinance adopted pursuant to this section which
13 requires a permit may require that no such permit shall be issued to
14 any person who has not obtained a permit to engage in or transact
15 business as a seller within the state in accordance with section 12-409
16 and shall require that any permit issued pursuant to such ordinance

17 shall be conspicuously displayed at the place the activities are
18 undertaken. Such ordinances may provide that the authority issuing
19 such permit may waive the permit fee for a nonprofit organization
20 exempt from federal taxation by Section 501 of the Internal Revenue
21 Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code
22 of the United States, as from time to time amended, or a charitable
23 organization. No town shall require a permit fee from any resident of
24 this state who has resided within the state for a period of two years
25 next preceding the date of application for such permit and who is a
26 veteran who served in time of war, as defined in section 27-103. This
27 section shall not apply to sales by farmers and gardeners of the
28 produce of their farms, gardens and greenhouses, including fruit,
29 vegetables and flowers, or to the sale, distribution and delivery of
30 milk, teas, coffees, spices, groceries, meats and bakery goods, to sales
31 on approval, to conditional sales of merchandise, or to the taking of
32 orders for merchandise for future delivery when full payment is not
33 required at the time of solicitation. Nothing in this section shall be
34 construed to limit in any manner the Commissioner of
35 Transportation's statutory authority concerning state highways.
36 Nothing in this section shall be construed as empowering any
37 municipality to prohibit, regulate, control or impose a fee on any
38 person operating any business on any state highway or land abutting
39 any state highway pursuant to a contract with the state.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2002

GL *Joint Favorable*

APP *Joint Favorable*