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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:
(ENV)

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE IDLING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) (a) No person shall cause
2 or allow a motor vehicle to operate for more than three consecutive
3 minutes when such motor vehicle is not in motion, except as follows:

4 (1) When a motor vehicle is forced to remain motionless because of
5 traffic conditions or mechanical difficulties over which the operator
6 has no control;

7 (2) When it is necessary to operate defrosting, heating or cooling
8 equipment to ensure the safety or health of the driver or passengers;

9 (3) When it is necessary to operate auxiliary equipment that is
10 located in or on the motor vehicle to accomplish the intended use of
11 the motor vehicle;

12 (4) When it is necessary to bring the motor vehicle to the
13 manufacturer's recommended operating temperature;

14 (5) When the outdoor temperature is below twenty degrees

15 Fahrenheit;

16 (6) When the motor vehicle is undergoing maintenance that requires
17 such motor vehicle be operated for more than three consecutive
18 minutes;

19 (7) When a motor vehicle is in queue to be inspected by United
20 States military personnel prior to gaining access to a United States
21 military installation;

22 (8) When a law enforcement, firefighting rescue or emergency
23 vehicle is in the course of responding to an emergency; or

24 (9) When a motor vehicle is in a queue at a drive-in establishment.

25 For the purposes of this section, "motor vehicle" means any automobile
26 or truck.

27 (b) A violation of any provision of this section shall be an infraction.

28 Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 51-164n of the general statutes is
29 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
30 *October 1, 2007*):

31 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any
32 person who is alleged to have committed (1) a violation under the
33 provisions of section 1-9, 1-10, 1-11, 4b-13, 7-13, 7-14, 7-35, 7-41, 7-83, 7-
34 283, 7-325, 7-393, 8-25, 8-27, 9-63, 9-296, 9-305, 9-322, 9-350, 10-193, 10-
35 197, 10-198, 10-230, 10-251, 10-254, 12-52, 12-170aa, 12-292, or 12-326g,
36 subdivision (4) of section 12-408, subdivision (3), (5) or (6) of section
37 12-411, section 12-435c, 12-476a, 12-476b, 12-487, 13a-71, 13a-107, 13a-
38 113, 13a-114, 13a-115, 13a-117b, 13a-123, 13a-124, 13a-139, 13a-140, 13a-
39 143b, 13a-247 or 13a-253, subsection (f) of section 13b-42, section 13b-
40 90, 13b-221, 13b-292, 13b-336, 13b-337, 13b-338, 13b-410a, 13b-410b or
41 13b-410c, subsection (a), (b) or (c) of section 13b-412, section 13b-414,
42 subsection (d) of section 14-12, section 14-20a or 14-27a, subsection (e)
43 of section 14-34a, subsection (d) of section 14-35, section 14-43, 14-49,

44 14-50a or 14-58, subsection (b) of section 14-66, section 14-66a, 14-66b
45 or 14-67a, subsection (g) of section 14-80, subsection (f) of section 14-
46 80h, section 14-97a, 14-100b, 14-103a, 14-106a, 14-106c, 14-146, 14-152,
47 14-153 or 14-163b, a first violation as specified in subsection (f) of
48 section 14-164i, section 14-219 as specified in subsection (e) of said
49 section, subdivision (1) of section 14-223a, section 14-240, 14-249 or 14-
50 250, section 1 of this act, subsection (a), (b) or (c) of section 14-261a,
51 section 14-262, 14-264, 14-267a, 14-269, 14-270, 14-275a, 14-278 or 14-
52 279, subsection (e) of section 14-283, section 14-291, 14-293b, 14-296aa,
53 14-319, 14-320, 14-321, 14-325a, 14-326, 14-330 or 14-332a, subdivision
54 (1), (2) or (3) of section 14-386a, section 15-33, subsection (a) of section
55 15-115, section 16-256, 16-256e, 16a-15 or 16a-22, subsection (a) or (b) of
56 section 16a-22h, section 17a-24, 17a-145, 17a-149, 17a-152, 17a-465, 17a-
57 642, 17b-124, 17b-131, 17b-137 or 17b-734, subsection (b) of section 17b-
58 736, section 19a-30, 19a-33, 19a-39 or 19a-87, subsection (b) of section
59 19a-87a, section 19a-91, 19a-105, 19a-107, 19a-215, 19a-219, 19a-222,
60 19a-224, 19a-286, 19a-287, 19a-297, 19a-301, 19a-309, 19a-335, 19a-336,
61 19a-338, 19a-339, 19a-340, 19a-425, 19a-502, 20-7a, 20-14, 20-158, 20-231,
62 20-257, 20-265 or 20-324e, subsection (a) of section 20-341, section 20-
63 341l, 20-597, 20-608, 20-610, 21-30, 21-38, 21-39, 21-43, 21-47, 21-48, 21-
64 63, 21-76a, 21a-21, 21a-25, 21a-26 or 21a-30, subsection (a) of section
65 21a-37, section 21a-46, 21a-61, 21a-63 or 21a-77, subsection (b) of
66 section 21a-79, section 21a-85, 21a-154, 21a-159, 22-13, 22-14, 22-15, 22-
67 16, 22-29, 22-34, 22-35, 22-36, 22-38, 22-39, 22-39a, 22-39b, 22-39c, 22-
68 39d, 22-39e, 22-49, 22-54, 22-61, 22-89, 22-90, 22-98, 22-99, 22-100, 22-
69 111o, 22-279, 22-280a, 22-318a, 22-320h, 22-324a, 22-326 or 22-342,
70 subsection (b) or (e) of section 22-344, section 22-359, 22-366, 22-391, 22-
71 413, 22-414, 22-415, 22a-66a or 22a-246, subsection (a) of section 22a-
72 250, subsection (e) of section 22a-256h, subsection (a) of section 22a-
73 381d, section 22a-449, 22a-461, 23-37, 23-38, 23-46 or 23-61b, subsection
74 (a) or (b) of section 23-65, section 25-37, 25-40, 26-19, 26-21, 26-31, 26-40,
75 26-40a, 26-49, 26-54, 26-59, 26-61, 26-64, 26-79, 26-89, 26-97, 26-107, 26-
76 117, 26-128, 26-131, 26-132, 26-138, 26-141, 26-207, 26-215, 26-224a, 26-
77 227, 26-230, 26-294, 28-13, 29-6a, 29-109, 29-143o, 29-143z, 29-161y, 29-

78 161z, 29-198, 29-210, 29-243, 29-277, 29-316, 29-318, 29-341, 29-381, 30-
79 48a, 30-86a, 31-3, 31-10, 31-11, 31-12, 31-13, 31-14, 31-15, 31-16, 31-18,
80 31-23, 31-24, 31-25, 31-28, 31-32, 31-36, 31-38, 31-38a, 31-40, 31-44, 31-47,
81 31-48, 31-51, 31-51k, 31-52, 31-52a or 31-54, subsection (a) or (c) of
82 section 31-69, section 31-70, 31-74, 31-75, 31-76, 31-76a, 31-89b or 31-
83 134, subsection (i) of section 31-273, section 31-288, 36a-787, 42-230,
84 45a-450, 45a-634 or 45a-658, subdivision (13) or (14) of section 46a-54,
85 section 46a-59, 46b-22, 46b-24, 46b-34, 46b-38dd, 46b-38gg, 46b-38kk,
86 47-34a, 47-47, 49-8a, 49-16 or 53-133, subsection (a) or (b) of section 53-
87 211, or section 53-212a, 53-249a, 53-252, 53-264, 53-302a, 53-303e, 53-
88 311a, 53-321, 53-322, 53-323, 53-331, 53-344 or 53-450, or (2) a violation
89 under the provisions of chapter 268, or (3) a violation of any regulation
90 adopted in accordance with the provisions of section 12-484, 12-487 or
91 13b-410, or (4) a violation of any ordinance, regulation or bylaw of any
92 town, city or borough, except violations of building codes and the
93 health code, for which the penalty exceeds ninety dollars but does not
94 exceed two hundred fifty dollars, unless such town, city or borough
95 has established a payment and hearing procedure for such violation
96 pursuant to section 7-152c, shall follow the procedures set forth in this
97 section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	51-164n(b)

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit the idling for more than three consecutive minutes of any motor vehicle.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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