



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6448

LCO No. 3771

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Introduced by:
(TRA)

AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN NEW SCHOOL BUSES FROM THE FIRST ANNUAL INSPECTION FOLLOWING THE REGISTRATION OF SUCH BUSES.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 14-275 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2011*):

4 (a) The term "school bus" means any motor bus painted,
5 constructed, equipped and registered as hereinafter provided, which is
6 regularly used for transporting school children to and from school or
7 school activities whether or not for compensation or under contract to
8 provide such service. No vehicle shall be registered as a school bus
9 unless it complies with all requirements of sections 14-275 to 14-281,
10 inclusive, as to color, markings, equipment and inspection, and each
11 such vehicle shall be inspected prior to such registration in accordance
12 with regulations prescribed by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles,
13 provided any new school bus that is registered between August first
14 and the start of the next succeeding school year and is inspected prior
15 to such registration, in accordance with such regulations, shall be

16 exempt from further inspection until August of the following year. The
17 commissioner or the commissioner's designee may also conduct
18 random, unannounced inspections of any registered school bus. Any
19 school bus that transports individuals in wheelchairs shall meet the
20 requirements of subsection (e) of section 14-100a in order to pass
21 inspection. The provisions of said sections requiring other vehicles to
22 stop at the signal of the operator of a registered school bus shall not
23 apply to a signal by the operator of any vehicle not registered as a
24 school bus and not complying with all requirements for such
25 registration.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	July 1, 2011	14-275(a)
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Statement of Purpose:

To require that a new school bus purchased in the summer need only be inspected once instead of twice before the next school year.

[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.]