



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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House Bill No. 5278

House of Representatives, April 4, 2013

The Committee on Public Safety and Security reported through REP. DARGAN of the 115th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING FIREFIGHTERS TO CONDUCT CHARITABLE FUNDRAISING BOOT DRIVES ON STATE HIGHWAYS.

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2013*) Notwithstanding any
2 provision of section 14-298 of the general statutes or any regulation
3 adopted thereunder, the Office of the State Traffic Administration
4 shall, at the request of a local traffic authority of a municipality, issue a
5 special event permit to allow members of the fire department of such
6 municipality to use a state highway, other than a limited access
7 highway, to collect donations for charitable purposes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	New section
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PS *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

There is no fiscal impact to the Office of the State Traffic Administration to issue a special event permit allowing municipal fire departments to use a state highway to collect donations for charity.

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OLR Bill Analysis**HB 5278****AN ACT AUTHORIZING FIREFIGHTERS TO CONDUCT CHARITABLE FUNDRAISING BOOT DRIVES ON STATE HIGHWAYS.****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the Office of the State Traffic Administration (formerly the State Traffic Commission), when asked by a municipality's traffic authority, to issue a special event permit allowing the municipality's fire department members to use a state highway, other than a limited access highway, to collect donations for charity.

By law, the office has jurisdiction over state highways, including authority to adopt regulations governing their use (CGS § 14-298).

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2013

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 23 Nay 0 (03/19/2013)