



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 282**

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House Bill No. 5461

*House of Representatives, March 30, 2016*

The Committee on Transportation reported through REP. GUERRERA of the 29th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

## **AN ACT CONCERNING THE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR OLDER MODEL MOTOR VEHICLES.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 14-166 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

3 (a) The acquisition of a certificate of title shall not be required and  
4 the issuance of a certificate of title by the Commissioner of Motor  
5 Vehicles shall not be required for the following: (1) A vehicle owned  
6 by the United States, unless it is registered in this state; (2) a vehicle  
7 owned by a manufacturer or dealer and held for sale, even though  
8 incidentally moved on the highway or used for purposes of testing or  
9 demonstration; or a vehicle used by a manufacturer solely for testing;  
10 (3) a vehicle owned by a nonresident of this state and not required by  
11 law to be registered in this state; (4) a vehicle regularly engaged in the  
12 interstate transportation of persons or property for which a currently  
13 effective certificate of title has been issued in another state; (5) a vehicle  
14 moved solely by animal power; (6) an implement of husbandry; (7)

15 special mobile equipment; (8) a self-propelled wheel chair or invalid  
 16 tricycle; (9) any trailer having a gross weight not in excess of three  
 17 thousand pounds; (10) any vehicle for which a temporary registration  
 18 has been issued pursuant to section 14-12 for the purpose of permitting  
 19 a nonresident owner who purchases a vehicle in Connecticut to  
 20 transport such vehicle to such owner's home state; (11) a motor vehicle  
 21 owned by the state or any town, city or borough within the state; (12) a  
 22 motor vehicle registered temporarily for inspection purposes pursuant  
 23 to section 14-12. [; (13) a motor vehicle older than twenty model years  
 24 old, for which the commissioner may issue a certificate of title in said  
 25 commissioner's discretion.]

26 (b) The acquisition of a certificate of title for any motor vehicle older  
 27 than twenty model years old shall not be required. The commissioner  
 28 shall issue such certificate of title for such a motor vehicle at the  
 29 request of the owner and may charge such owner the administrative  
 30 cost of issuing such certificate of title.

31 [(b)] (c) Part III of this chapter does not apply to: (1) A vehicle  
 32 moved solely by animal power; (2) an implement of husbandry; (3)  
 33 special mobile equipment; (4) a self-propelled wheel chair or invalid  
 34 tricycle; (5) any trailer having a gross weight not in excess of three  
 35 thousand pounds.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2016	14-166

**TRA**      *Joint Favorable*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

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

This bill, which requires the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to issue certificates of title at the request of the owner for vehicles older than 20 model years, does not result in a fiscal impact as it codifies current practice.

***The Out Years******State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

**OLR Bill Analysis**

**HB 5461**

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR OLDER MODEL MOTOR VEHICLES.***

**SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) commissioner to issue certificates of title, at the request of the owner, for vehicles older than 20 model years. Under current law, the DMV commissioner is not required to issue certificates of title for these vehicles, but may do so at his discretion. Under existing law and the bill, owners of these vehicles are not required to obtain a title.

The bill also allows DMV to charge the vehicle owner the administrative cost of issuing the title.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2016

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Transportation Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 33 Nay 0 (03/15/2016)