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AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONVENIENCE OF ACQUIRING MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSES AND REGISTRATIONS.

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

1 Section 1. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 1-1h of the general
2 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

4 (a) Any person who does not possess a valid motor vehicle
5 operator's license may apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles for
6 an identity card. The application for an identity card shall be
7 accompanied by the birth certificate of the applicant or a certificate of
8 identification of the applicant issued and authorized for such use by
9 the Department of Correction and a fee of twenty-four dollars. Such
10 application shall include: (1) The applicant's name; (2) the applicant's
11 address; (3) whether the address is permanent or temporary; (4) the
12 applicant's date of birth; (5) notice to the applicant that false statements
13 on such application are punishable under section 53a-157b; and (6)
14 such other pertinent information as the Commissioner of Motor
15 Vehicles deems necessary. [A fee of twenty-two dollars and fifty cents
16 shall be paid to the department upon issuance to the applicant of an
17 identity card which contains a picture of the applicant and specifies the
18 applicant's height, sex and eye color.] The applicant shall sign the
19 application in the presence of an official of the [department]

20 Department of Motor Vehicles. The commissioner may waive the fee
21 for any applicant (A) who has voluntarily surrendered such applicant's
22 motor vehicle operator's license, (B) whose license has been refused by
23 the commissioner pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection (e) of
24 section 14-36, (C) who is both a veteran, as defined in subsection (a) of
25 section 27-103, and blind, as defined in subsection (a) of section 1-1f, or
26 (D) who is a resident of a homeless shelter or other facility for
27 homeless persons. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in
28 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to establish the
29 procedure and qualifications for the issuance of an identity card to any
30 such homeless applicant.

31 (b) (1) An identity card shall [expire within a period not exceeding
32 six years from the date of issuance of such card. Each such card shall]
33 indicate its date of expiration, display a picture of the applicant and
34 specify the applicant's height, sex and eye color.

35 (2) An original identity card shall expire within a period not
36 exceeding six years following the date of the applicant's next birthday.
37 Any person who holds an identity card may be notified by the
38 commissioner before its expiration and may renew such card in such
39 manner as the commissioner shall prescribe. [upon payment of a fee of
40 twenty-two dollars and fifty cents.] Such person may, at such person's
41 discretion, renew an identity card for either a six-year period or an
42 eight-year period. The fee for the renewal of an identity card that
43 expires six years from the date of issuance shall be twenty-four dollars
44 and the fee for the renewal of an identity card that expires eight years
45 from the date of issuance shall be thirty-two dollars. The commissioner
46 shall not provide notification by mail to the holder of an identity card
47 if the United States Postal Service has determined that mail is
48 undeliverable to such person at the address for such person that is in
49 the records of the department.

50 Sec. 2. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 14-41 of the general statutes
51 are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
52 *January 1, 2020*):

53 (a) Upon every other renewal of a motor vehicle operator's license
54 issued pursuant to section 14-36 or identity card issued pursuant to
55 section 1-1h, as amended by this act, the commissioner may issue such
56 license or identity card without the personal appearance of the licensee
57 or identity card holder if [(1)] such licensee or identity card holder (1)
58 has a digital image on file with the commissioner, [and (2) such
59 licensee or identity card holder] (2) meets certain criteria established
60 by the commissioner, and (3) has fulfilled all other requirements for
61 such renewal.

62 (b) (1) An original operator's license shall expire within a period not
63 exceeding six years following the date of the operator's next birthday.
64 The fee for such license shall be seventy-two dollars. The holder of an
65 operator's license may, at the holder's discretion, renew such license
66 for either a six-year period or an eight-year period. The fee for the
67 renewal of an operator's license that expires six years from the date of
68 issuance shall be seventy-two dollars and the fee for the renewal of an
69 operator's license that expires eight years from the date of issuance
70 shall be ninety-six dollars.

71 (2) The commissioner may authorize a contractor, including, but not
72 limited to, an automobile club or association licensed in accordance
73 with the provisions of section 14-67 on or before July 1, 2007, or any
74 municipality, to issue duplicate licenses and identity cards pursuant to
75 section 14-50a, renew licenses, renew identity cards issued pursuant to
76 section 1-1h, as amended by this act, and conduct registration
77 transactions at the office or facilities of such contractors or
78 municipalities. The commissioner may authorize such contractors and
79 municipalities to charge a convenience fee, which shall not exceed
80 [eight] ten dollars, to each applicant for a license or identity card
81 renewal or duplication, or for a registration transaction.

82 Sec. 3. Section 14-41a of the general statutes is repealed and the
83 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

84 An individual sixty-five years of age or older may, at the

85 individual's discretion, renew a motor vehicle operator's license for
86 [either] a two-year period, [or] a six-year period or an eight-year
87 period. The fee for any license issued for a two-year period shall be
88 twenty-four dollars.

89 Sec. 4. Subsection (b) of section 14-12o of the general statutes is
90 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
91 *January 1, 2020*):

92 (b) For six months or any part thereof, the fee for a courtesy
93 registration shall be one-sixth of the amount specified for a three-year
94 permanent registration, one-quarter of the amount specified for a two-
95 year permanent registration and one-half of the amount specified for a
96 one-year permanent registration. The owner of a motor vehicle with a
97 courtesy registration may receive a permanent registration upon
98 presentation of documents to the commissioner demonstrating proof
99 of ownership. No part of the fee paid for a courtesy registration shall
100 be refunded or applied to the fee for the permanent registration of the
101 motor vehicle.

102 Sec. 5. Section 14-22 of the general statutes is repealed and the
103 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

104 (a) [A] Except as otherwise provided in the general statutes, a motor
105 vehicle registration issued pursuant to this chapter shall expire either
106 two or three years from the date of issuance, at the discretion of the
107 registrant and in accordance with schedules established by the
108 commissioner. Such schedules may include staggered renewal of
109 registrations. If the expiration date of the registration of the motor
110 vehicle, except the registration of a motor vehicle used to transport
111 passengers for hire, falls on any day when the offices of the
112 commissioner are closed for business, the registration shall be deemed
113 valid for the operation of the motor vehicle until midnight of the next
114 day on which the offices of the commissioner are open for business.
115 The commissioner shall prescribe the date and manner of renewing
116 registrations. Not less than thirty days prior to the expiration of any

117 valid registration, the department shall send or transmit, in such
118 manner as the commissioner determines, an application for renewal to
119 the registrant. In the case of a motor vehicle registered to a leasing
120 company licensed pursuant to section 14-15, the department may send
121 or transmit, in such manner as the commissioner determines, an
122 application for renewal of a leased vehicle to the lessee of such vehicle.
123 The commissioner shall not be required to send or transmit a
124 registrant's or lessee's application by mail if the United States Postal
125 Service has determined that mail is undeliverable to such person at the
126 address for such person that is in the records of the department. Except
127 for the processing of such application at an official emissions
128 inspection station as provided in subsection (b) of this section, [or by
129 telephone as provided in subsection (c) of this section,] the
130 commissioner may require that the application be returned
131 electronically or by mail in order to be processed and approved, with
132 only such exceptions, on a hardship basis, as shall be established by
133 the commissioner in regulations adopted pursuant to chapter 54.

134 (b) The commissioner may provide for the renewal of passenger
135 registrations at official emissions inspection stations established
136 pursuant to chapter 246a in accordance with schedules established by
137 [him which shall provide that expirations of registrations and
138 emissions stickers occur on the same date] the commissioner. The
139 commissioner may employ the services of the independent contractor
140 which operates the system of official emissions inspection stations to
141 process such applications for renewal in accordance with standards
142 and procedures established by the commissioner.

143 [(c) The commissioner may provide for the renewal of the
144 registration of any motor vehicle by means of a telephone request and
145 order by the registrant. The commissioner may charge a service fee of
146 five dollars, in addition to the fee prescribed for the renewal of the
147 registration, for each application for renewal processed by telephone.
148 Such service fee shall be used to cover the costs incurred in processing
149 such applications. Any funds in excess of those necessary for the

150 processing of such applications shall be deposited in the General Fund.
151 Each registrant who elects to renew by telephone shall sign the
152 certificate of registration, attesting to the information contained therein
153 under penalty of false statement, as provided in section 53a-157b,
154 when the certificate is issued by the commissioner. Any such certificate
155 which is not signed shall be void. The commissioner may employ the
156 services of an independent contractor or contractors to process such
157 applications for renewal and provide any equipment or system
158 necessary for such purpose.]

159 [(d)] (c) The registration fee for a registration that expires two years
160 from the date of issuance shall be a prorated amount of the fee for a
161 triennial registration. If the adoption of a staggered system results in
162 the expiration of any registration more than two or three years from its
163 issuance, a prorated amount of the registration fee paid shall be
164 charged in addition to the [biennial] registration fee.

165 Sec. 6. Section 14-25c of the general statutes is repealed and the
166 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

167 The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall issue distinctive
168 registration marker plates to each motor vehicle, except a taxicab or
169 motor vehicle in livery service, that is used as a student transportation
170 vehicle, as defined in section 14-212. Each such registration of a
171 student transportation vehicle shall be issued for a period of one year
172 and, subject to the provisions of subsection (d) of section 14-103, may
173 be renewed by the owner, in accordance with schedules established by
174 the commissioner. The fee for such registration or for any renewal
175 thereof shall be determined as follows: (1) In the case of any such
176 motor vehicle designed as a service bus, the fee shall be one-half of the
177 fee prescribed for the registration of a service bus, in accordance with
178 the provisions of subsection (p) of section 14-49, as amended by this
179 act, and (2) in the case of any such motor vehicle designed as a
180 passenger motor vehicle, the fee shall be one-half of the fee prescribed
181 for the biennial registration of a passenger motor vehicle or one-third
182 of the fee prescribed for the triennial registration of a passenger motor

183 vehicle, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section
184 14-49, as amended by this act.

185 Sec. 7. Section 14-48d of the general statutes is repealed and the
186 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

187 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 14-22, as amended by this
188 act, and subsection (a) of section 14-49, as amended by this act,
189 concerning the biennial or triennial period for the registration of a
190 passenger motor vehicle, and for the registration of certain other motor
191 vehicles not used for commercial purposes, the commissioner may
192 issue a registration for any such motor vehicle that is owned by a
193 person, firm or corporation licensed in accordance with the provisions
194 of section 14-15 and that is the subject of a lease agreement, for a
195 period not to exceed five years, to coincide with the term of such lease
196 agreement. The fee for any such registration shall be adjusted and
197 prorated on the basis of the fee prescribed for a [biennial] triennial
198 registration. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance
199 with chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this section.

200 Sec. 8. Section 14-49 of the general statutes is repealed and the
201 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

202 (a) For the registration of each passenger motor vehicle, other than
203 an electric motor vehicle, the fee shall be eighty dollars [every] for two
204 years and one hundred twenty dollars for three years. The registrant
205 may, at the registrant's discretion, renew such registration for either a
206 two-year period or a three-year period, provided any [individual]
207 registrant who is sixty-five years of age or older [on or after January 1,
208 1981,] may, at his or her discretion, renew [the] such registration [of
209 such passenger motor vehicle owned by him for either] for a one-year
210 [or two-year] period. The fee for one year shall be forty dollars. [, and
211 the fee for two years shall be eighty dollars, provided the biennial fee]
212 The fee for any motor vehicle for which special license plates have
213 been issued under the provisions of section 14-20 shall be eighty
214 dollars for a two-year period or one-hundred twenty dollars for a

215 three-year period. The provisions of this subsection relative to the
216 [biennial] fee charged for the registration of each antique, rare or
217 special interest motor vehicle for which special license plates have
218 been issued under section 14-20 shall not apply to an antique fire
219 apparatus or transit bus owned by a nonprofit organization and
220 maintained primarily for use in parades, exhibitions or other public
221 events but not for purposes of general transportation.

222 (b) (1) For the registration of each motorcycle, the biennial fee shall
223 be forty-two dollars and the triennial fee shall be sixty-three dollars,
224 subject to the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection. For the
225 registration of each motorcycle with side car or box attached used for
226 commercial purposes, the biennial fee shall be sixty dollars and the
227 triennial fee shall be ninety dollars. The commissioner may register a
228 motorcycle with a side car under one registration which shall cover the
229 use of such motorcycle with or without such side car. (2) Four dollars
230 of the [total fee] biennial fee and six dollars of the triennial fee with
231 respect to the registration of each motorcycle shall, when entered upon
232 the records of the Special Transportation Fund, be deemed to be
233 appropriated to the Department of Transportation for purposes of
234 continuing the program of motorcycle rider education formerly
235 funded under the federal Highway Safety Act of 1978, 23 USC 402.

236 (c) For the registration of each taxicab or motor vehicle in livery
237 service, with a seating capacity of seven or less, the commissioner shall
238 charge a biennial fee of two hundred sixty-six dollars. When the
239 seating capacity of such motor vehicle is more than seven, there shall
240 be added to the amount herein provided the sum of four dollars for
241 each seat so in excess.

242 (d) For the registration of each motor bus, except a motor bus
243 owned and operated by a multiple-state passenger carrier as
244 [hereinafter] defined in this subsection, the commissioner shall charge
245 a fee of [forty-seven] fifty-six dollars and such registration shall be
246 sufficient for all types of operation under this chapter. [On and after
247 July 1, 2011, the fee shall be fifty-six dollars.] For the registration of

248 motor buses owned or operated by a multiple-state passenger carrier,
249 the commissioner shall charge registration fees based on the rate of one
250 dollar and twenty-five cents per hundredweight of the gross weight,
251 such gross weight to be computed by adding the light weight of the
252 vehicle fully equipped for service to one hundred fifty pounds per
253 passenger for the rated seating capacity, plus the sum of [thirty-four]
254 forty-two dollars. [, and on and after July 1, 2011, one dollar and
255 twenty-five cents plus the sum of forty-two dollars.] The fee in each
256 case shall be determined on an apportionment basis commensurate
257 with the use of the highways of this state as [herein] provided in this
258 subsection. The commissioner shall require the registration of that
259 percentage of the motor buses of such multiple-state passenger carrier
260 operating into or through the state which the mileage of such motor
261 buses actually operated in the state bears to the total mileage of all
262 such motor buses operated both within and without the state. Such
263 percentage figures shall be the mileage factor. In computing the
264 registration fees on the number of such motor buses which are
265 allocated to the state for registration purposes under the foregoing
266 formula, the commissioner shall first compute the amount that the
267 registration fees would be if all such motor buses were in fact subject
268 to registration in the state, and then apply to such amount the mileage
269 factor above referred to, provided, if the foregoing formula or method
270 of allocation results in apportioning a lesser or greater number of
271 motor buses or amount of registration fees to the state than the state
272 under all of the facts is fairly entitled to, then a formula that will fairly
273 apportion such registration fees to the state shall be determined and
274 used by the commissioner. Said mileage factor shall be computed prior
275 to March first of each year by using the mileage records of operations
276 of such motor buses operating both within and without the state for
277 the twelve-month period, or portion thereof, ending on August thirty-
278 first next preceding the commencement of the registration year for
279 which registration is sought. If there were no operations in the state
280 during any part of such preceding twelve-month period, the
281 commissioner shall proceed under the provisions of subsection (a) of
282 article IV of section 14-365. In apportioning the number of motor buses

283 to be registered in the state, as provided [herein] in this subsection, any
284 fractional part of a motor bus shall be treated as a whole motor bus
285 and shall be registered and licensed as such. Any motor bus operated
286 both within and without the state which is not required to be
287 registered in the state under the provisions of this section shall
288 nevertheless be identified as a part of the fleet of the multiple-state
289 passenger carrier and the commissioner shall adopt an appropriate
290 method of identification of such motor buses owned and operated by
291 such carrier. The identification of all such motor buses by the
292 commissioner as [above] required in this subsection shall be
293 considered the same as the registration of such motor buses under this
294 chapter. The substitution from time to time of one motor bus for
295 another by a multiple-state passenger carrier shall not require
296 registration thereof in the state as long as the substitution does not
297 increase the aggregate number of motor buses employed in the
298 operation of such carrier, provided all such motor buses substituted for
299 others shall be immediately reported to and identification issued for
300 the same by the commissioner and, if a registration fee is required to
301 be paid for such substituted motor bus, the same shall be promptly
302 paid. As used in this subsection, the phrase "multiple-state passenger
303 carrier" means and includes any person, firm or corporation
304 authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission or its successor
305 agency to engage in the business of the transportation of passengers
306 for hire by motor buses, both within and without the state.

307 (e) (1) For the registration of a passenger motor vehicle used in part
308 for commercial purposes, except any pick-up truck having a gross
309 vehicle weight rating of less than twelve thousand five hundred
310 pounds, the commissioner shall charge a biennial fee of eighty-eight
311 dollars or a triennial fee of one hundred thirty-two dollars and shall
312 issue combination registration to such vehicle. (2) For the registration
313 of a school bus, the commissioner shall charge an annual fee of one
314 hundred seven dollars for a type I school bus and sixty-four dollars for
315 a type II school bus. (3) For the registration of a motor vehicle when
316 used in part for commercial purposes and as a passenger motor vehicle

317 or of a motor vehicle having a seating capacity greater than ten and not
318 used for the conveyance of passengers for hire, the commissioner shall
319 charge a biennial fee for gross weight as for commercial registration, as
320 outlined in section 14-47, plus the sum of fourteen dollars and shall
321 issue combination registration to such vehicle. (4) Each vehicle
322 registered as combination shall be issued a number plate bearing the
323 word "combination". No vehicle registered as combination may have a
324 gross vehicle weight rating in excess of twelve thousand five hundred
325 pounds. (5) For the registration of a pick-up truck having a gross
326 vehicle weight rating of less than twelve thousand five hundred
327 pounds that is not used in part for commercial purposes, the
328 commissioner shall charge a biennial fee or a triennial fee for gross
329 weight as for commercial registration, as provided in section 14-47,
330 plus the sum of fourteen dollars for a biennial registration or twenty-
331 one dollars for a triennial registration. The commissioner may issue
332 passenger registration to any such vehicle with a gross vehicle weight
333 rating of eight thousand five hundred pounds or less.

334 (f) For the registration of each electric motor vehicle, the
335 commissioner shall charge a fee of thirty-eight dollars biennially or
336 fifty-seven dollars triennially.

337 (g) For the registration of all motorcycles, registered under a general
338 distinguishing number and mark, owned or operated by, or in the
339 custody of, a manufacturer of, dealer in or repairer of motorcycles,
340 there shall be charged an annual fee at the rate of [thirty-one] thirty-
341 seven dollars for each set of number plates furnished. [On and after
342 July 1, 2011, the fee shall be thirty-seven dollars.]

343 (h) The minimum annual fee for any commercial registration of a
344 motor vehicle not equipped with pneumatic tires shall be [fifty] sixty
345 dollars. [On and after July 1, 2011, the fee shall be sixty dollars.]

346 (i) For the transfer of the registration of a motor vehicle previously
347 registered, except as provided in subsection (e) of section 14-16 and
348 subsection (c) of section 14-253a, there shall be charged a fee of twenty-

349 one dollars.

350 (j) Repealed by 1972, P.A. 255, S. 6.

351 (k) For the registration of each motor hearse used exclusively for
352 transportation of the dead, the commissioner shall charge a fee of
353 [thirty-one] thirty-seven dollars. [On and after July 1, 2011, the fee shall
354 be thirty-seven dollars.] The commissioner may furnish distinguishing
355 number plates for any motor hearse.

356 (l) The fee for the registration of each truck to be used between parts
357 of an industrial plant, as provided in section 13a-117, shall be [twenty-
358 five] thirty dollars for the first two hundred feet of the public highway,
359 the use of which is granted by such permit, and on and after July 1,
360 2011, the fee shall be thirty dollars.] For each additional two hundred
361 feet or fraction thereof, the fee shall be [eleven dollars, and on and after
362 July 1, 1992, the fee shall be] twelve dollars.

363 (m) (1) For the registration of a trailer used exclusively for camping
364 or any other recreational purpose, the commissioner shall charge a
365 biennial fee of [sixteen dollars. On and after July 1, 2011, the fee shall
366 be] nineteen dollars or a triennial fee of twenty-eight dollars and fifty
367 cents. (2) For any other trailer or semitrailer not drawn by a truck-
368 tractor, [he] the commissioner shall charge the same fee as prescribed
369 for commercial registrations in section 14-47, provided the fee for a
370 heavy duty trailer, a crane or any other heavy construction equipment
371 shall be three hundred twenty-six dollars for each year; except that the
372 registration fee for each motor vehicle classed as a tractor-crane and
373 equipped with rubber tires shall be one-half the fee charged for the
374 gross weight of commercial vehicles.

375 (n) For each temporary registration of a motor vehicle not used for
376 commercial purposes, or renewal of such registration, the
377 commissioner shall charge a fee computed at the rate of twenty-one
378 dollars for each ten-day period, or part thereof. For each temporary
379 registration of a motor vehicle used for commercial purposes, or

380 renewal of such registration, the commissioner shall charge a fee
381 computed at the rate of twenty-seven dollars for each ten-day period,
382 or part thereof, if the motor vehicle has a gross vehicle weight rating of
383 six thousand pounds or less. For each temporary registration of a
384 motor vehicle used for commercial purposes, or renewal of such
385 registration, the commissioner shall charge a fee computed at the rate
386 of forty-nine dollars for each ten-day period, or part thereof, if the
387 motor vehicle has a gross vehicle weight rating of more than six
388 thousand pounds.

389 (o) No registration fee shall be charged in respect to (1) any motor
390 vehicle owned by a municipality, as defined in section 7-245, any other
391 governmental agency or a military agency and used exclusively for the
392 conduct of official business, [No registration fee shall be charged for]
393 (2) any motor vehicle owned by or leased to a transit district and used
394 exclusively to provide public transportation, [No fee shall be charged
395 for the registration of ambulances] (3) any ambulance owned by
396 [hospitals] a hospital or any nonprofit civic organization approved by
397 the commissioner, [but a fee of twenty dollars shall be charged for the
398 inspection of any such ambulance. No fee shall be charged for the
399 registration of] (4) any fire department apparatus, as provided by
400 section 14-19, [No registration fee shall be charged to] (5) a disabled
401 veteran, as defined in section 14-254, residing in this state for the
402 registration of three passenger, camper or passenger and commercial
403 motor vehicles leased or owned by such veteran in any registration
404 year, provided such vehicles shall not be used for hire, [No
405 registration fee shall be charged for] or (6) any motor vehicle leased to
406 an agency of this state on or after June 4, 1982.

407 (p) For the registration of a service bus owned by an individual,
408 firm or corporation, exclusive of any nonprofit charitable, religious,
409 educational or community service organization, and used for the
410 transportation of persons without charge, the commissioner shall
411 charge a fee of two hundred thirteen dollars for vehicles having a
412 seating capacity of sixteen passengers or less, including the driver, and

413 seven hundred forty-seven dollars for vehicles having a seating
414 capacity of more than sixteen passengers. For the registration of any
415 service bus owned by any nonprofit charitable, religious, educational
416 or community service organization, the commissioner shall charge a
417 fee of one hundred sixty dollars for vehicles having a seating capacity
418 of sixteen passengers or less, and five hundred thirty-three dollars for
419 vehicles having a seating capacity of more than sixteen passengers,
420 provided such service bus is used exclusively for the purpose of
421 transporting persons in relation to the purposes and activities of such
422 organization. Each such registration shall be issued for a biennial
423 period in accordance with a schedule established by the commissioner.
424 Nothing [herein] contained in this subsection shall affect the
425 provisions of subsection (e) of this section.

426 (q) The commissioner shall collect a biennial fee of thirty dollars or a
427 triennial fee of forty-five dollars for the registration of each motor
428 vehicle used exclusively for farming purposes. No such motor vehicle
429 may be used for the purpose of transporting goods for hire or taking
430 the on-the-road skills test portion of the examination for a motor
431 vehicle operator's license. No farm registration shall be issued to any
432 person operating a farm that has gross annual sales of less than two
433 thousand five hundred dollars in the calendar year preceding
434 registration. The commissioner may issue a farm registration for a
435 passenger motor vehicle under such conditions as said commissioner
436 shall prescribe in regulations adopted in accordance with chapter 54.
437 No motor vehicle issued a farm registration may be used to transport
438 ten or more passengers on any highway unless such motor vehicle
439 meets the requirements for equipment and mechanical condition set
440 forth in this chapter, and, in the case of a vehicle used to transport
441 more than fifteen passengers, including the driver, the applicable
442 requirements of the Code of Federal Regulations, as adopted by the
443 commissioner, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of
444 section 14-163c. The operator of such motor vehicle used to transport
445 ten or more passengers shall hold a public [transportation permit or]
446 passenger endorsement issued in accordance with the provisions of

447 section 14-44, as amended by this act. Any farm registration used
448 otherwise than as provided by this subsection shall be revoked.

449 (r) Repealed by P.A. 73-549, S. 2, 4.

450 (s) A fee of sixty-nine dollars shall be charged in addition to the
451 regular fee prescribed for the registration of a motor vehicle, including
452 but not limited to any passenger motor vehicle or motorcycle, in
453 accordance with this section for a number plate or plates for such
454 vehicle bearing any combination of letters or numbers requested by the
455 registrant and which may be issued in the discretion of the
456 commissioner, except in any case in which the number plates bear the
457 official call letters of an amateur radio station. [On and after July 1,
458 2011, the fee shall be sixty-nine dollars.]

459 (t) For the registration of each camper, the commissioner shall
460 charge a biennial fee of seventy-five dollars or a triennial fee of one-
461 hundred twelve dollars and fifty cents. The commissioner shall refund
462 one-half of the registration fee for any camper registration if a person
463 (1) cancels [such] the registration with one year or more remaining
464 until the expiration of [such] a biennial registration or cancels the
465 registration with eighteen months or more remaining until the
466 expiration of a triennial registration, and (2) requests such refund prior
467 to the expiration of [such] the registration.

468 (u) Repealed by P.A. 85-81.

469 (v) There shall be charged for each motor vehicle adult or youth
470 instruction permit or renewal thereof a fee of nineteen dollars. There
471 shall be charged for each motorcycle instruction permit or renewal
472 thereof a fee of sixteen dollars.

473 (w) In addition to the fee established for the issuance of motor
474 vehicle number plates and except as provided in subsection (a) of
475 section 14-21b and subsection (c) of section 14-253a, there shall be an
476 additional safety fee of five dollars charged at the time of issuance of
477 any reflectorized safety number plate or set of plates. All moneys

478 derived from said safety fee shall be deposited in the Special
479 Transportation Fund.

480 [(x)] For the registration of each high-mileage vehicle, the
481 commissioner shall charge a fee of forty-seven dollars.]

482 [(y)] (x) For each special use registration for a period of thirty days
483 or less, the fee shall be twenty-one dollars.

484 [(z)] (y) The commissioner shall assess a ten-dollar late fee for
485 renewal of a motor vehicle registration in the event a registrant fails to
486 renew his or her registration within five days after the expiration of
487 such registration, except that no such fee shall be assessed for the late
488 renewal of the registration, pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection
489 (m) of this section, of (1) a trailer used exclusively for camping or any
490 other recreational purpose, or (2) a motor vehicle designed or
491 permanently altered in such a way as to provide living quarters for
492 travel or camping. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection,
493 if a registrant who is required to register a motor vehicle under section
494 14-34a fails to renew such registration not later than five days after the
495 expiration date of such registration, the commissioner shall assess a
496 late fee of one hundred fifty dollars.

497 [(aa)] (z) The commissioner shall refund one-half of the registration
498 fee for any motor vehicle if a person (1) cancels [such] the registration
499 with one year or more remaining until the expiration of [such] a
500 biennial registration or cancels the registration with eighteen months
501 or more remaining until the expiration of a triennial registration, and
502 (2) requests such refund prior to the expiration of [such] the
503 registration.

504 Sec. 9. Section 14-49b of the general statutes is repealed and the
505 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

506 (a) For each new registration or renewal of registration of any motor
507 vehicle with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles pursuant to this
508 chapter, the person registering such vehicle shall pay to the

509 commissioner a fee of fifteen dollars for registration for a triennial
510 period, ten dollars for registration for a biennial period and five dollars
511 for registration for an annual period, except that any individual who is
512 sixty-five years of age or older on or after January 1, 1994, may, at the
513 discretion of such individual, pay the fee for [either] a one-year, [or]
514 two-year or three-year period. The provisions of this subsection shall
515 not apply to any motor vehicle that is not self-propelled, that is
516 electrically powered, or that is exempted from payment of a
517 registration fee. This fee may be identified as the "federal Clean Air Act
518 fee" on any registration form provided by the commissioner. Payments
519 collected pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be deposited
520 as follows: (1) Fifty-seven and one-half per cent of such payments
521 collected shall be deposited into the Special Transportation Fund
522 established pursuant to section 13b-68, and (2) forty-two and one-half
523 per cent of such payments collected shall be deposited into the General
524 Fund. The fee required by this subsection is in addition to any other
525 fees prescribed by any other provision of this title for the registration
526 of a motor vehicle. No part of the federal Clean Air Act fee shall be
527 subject to a refund under subsection [(aa)] (z) of section 14-49, as
528 amended by this act.

529 (b) For each new registration or renewal of registration of any motor
530 vehicle with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles pursuant to this
531 chapter, the person registering such vehicle shall pay to the
532 commissioner a fee of fifteen dollars for registration for a triennial
533 period or ten dollars for registration for a biennial period for the
534 following registration types: Passenger, motorcycle, motor home,
535 combination or antique. Any person who is sixty-five years or older
536 and who obtains a one-year registration renewal under section 14-49,
537 as amended by this act, for such registration type shall pay five dollars
538 for the annual registration period. The provisions of this subsection
539 shall not apply to any motor vehicle that is not self-propelled or that is
540 exempted from payment of a registration fee. This fee shall be
541 identified as the "Passport to the Parks Fee" on any registration form
542 provided by the commissioner. Payments collected pursuant to the

543 provisions of this subsection shall be deposited in the Passport to the
544 Parks account established pursuant to section 23-15h. The fee required
545 by this subsection is in addition to any other fees prescribed by any
546 other provision of this title for the registration of a motor vehicle. No
547 part of the "Passport to the Parks Fee" shall be subject to a refund
548 under subsection [(aa)] (z) of section 14-49, as amended by this act.

549 Sec. 10. Subsection (f) of section 13b-59 of the general statutes is
550 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
551 *January 1, 2020*):

552 (f) "Motor vehicle receipts" means all fees and other charges
553 required by or levied pursuant to subsection (c) of section 14-12,
554 section 14-15, subsection (a) of section 14-25a, section 14-28, subsection
555 (b) of section 14-35, subsection (b) of section 14-41, as amended by this
556 act, sections 14-41a, as amended by this act, 14-47 and 14-48b,
557 subsection (a) of section 14-49, as amended by this act, subdivision (1)
558 of subsection (b) of section 14-49, as amended by this act, except as
559 provided under subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of said section,
560 subsections (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (k), (l), (m), (n), (o), (p), (q), (s),
561 (t), (x) [.] and (y) [and (z)] of section 14-49, as amended by this act,
562 section 14-49a, subsection (a) of section 14-50, as amended by this act,
563 subdivisions (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) and (10) of subsection (a) of section
564 14-50a, sections 14-59, 14-61 and 14-65, subsection (c) of section 14-66,
565 subsection (e) of section 14-67, sections 14-67a, 14-67d, 14-160 and 14-
566 381, as amended by this act, and subsection (c) of section 14-382;

567 Sec. 11. Section 14-381 of the general statutes is repealed and the
568 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

569 Any owner required to register a snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle
570 shall apply to the commissioner and shall file evidence of ownership
571 by affidavit or document. Upon receipt of an application in proper
572 form and the registration fee, the commissioner shall assign an
573 identification number and provide the owner with a certificate of
574 registration and registration plate. The registration plate, which shall

575 be affixed by the owner, shall be displayed on the snowmobile or all-
576 terrain vehicle at a place and in a manner prescribed by the
577 commissioner. In addition to such registration plate, each snowmobile
578 and all-terrain vehicle so registered shall display its registration
579 number on each side of its front section, midway between the top and
580 bottom of said front section, in letters or numbers at least three inches
581 in height and made of a reflective material. The certificate of
582 registration shall be carried on such snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle
583 and shall be available for inspection whenever such snowmobile or all-
584 terrain vehicle is being operated. The owner shall pay a fee of twenty
585 dollars for a biennial registration or a fee of thirty dollars for a triennial
586 registration for each snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle so registered.
587 [Each such certificate of registration shall expire two years after the
588 date such certificate of registration was issued.]

589 Sec. 12. Subsection (a) of section 14-12 of the general statutes is
590 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
591 *January 1, 2020*):

592 (a) No motor vehicle shall be operated, towed or parked on any
593 highway, except as otherwise expressly provided, unless it is
594 registered with the commissioner, provided any motor vehicle may be
595 towed for repairs or necessary work if it bears the markers of a
596 licensed and registered dealer, manufacturer or repairer and provided
597 any motor vehicle which is validly registered in another state may, for
598 a period of sixty days following establishment by the owner of
599 residence in this state, be operated on any highway without first being
600 registered with the commissioner. Except as otherwise provided in this
601 subsection, (1) a person commits an infraction if such person (A)
602 registers a motor vehicle he or she does not own, or (B) operates,
603 allows the operation of, parks or allows the parking of an unregistered
604 motor vehicle on any highway, or (2) a resident of this state who
605 operates or parks a motor vehicle such resident owns with marker
606 plates issued by another state on any highway shall be fined one
607 thousand dollars. If the owner of a motor vehicle previously registered

608 [on an annual or biennial basis] with the commissioner, the registration
 609 of which expired not more than thirty days previously, operates,
 610 allows the operation of, parks or allows that parking of such a motor
 611 vehicle, such owner shall be fined the amount designated for the
 612 infraction of failure to renew a registration, but the right to retain his
 613 or her operator's license shall not be affected. No operator other than
 614 the owner shall be subject to penalty for the operation or parking of
 615 such a previously registered motor vehicle. As used in this subsection,
 616 the term "unregistered motor vehicle" includes any vehicle that is not
 617 eligible for registration by the commissioner due to the absence of
 618 necessary equipment or other characteristics of the vehicle that make it
 619 unsuitable for highway operation, unless the operation of such vehicle
 620 is expressly permitted by another provision of this chapter or chapter
 621 248.

622 Sec. 13. Subsection (a) of section 14-50 of the general statutes is
 623 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
 624 *January 1, 2020*):

625 (a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (c) of section 14-41, [there]
 626 any person who renews a motor vehicle operator's license which
 627 contains one or more passenger endorsements shall be charged [a fee
 628 of seventy-two dollars for each renewal of a motor vehicle operator's
 629 license issued for a period of six years and] an additional fee of twelve
 630 dollars for each year or part thereof for each passenger endorsement.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	1-1h(a) and (b)
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	14-41(a) and (b)
Sec. 3	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	14-41a
Sec. 4	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	14-12o(b)
Sec. 5	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	14-22
Sec. 6	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	14-25c
Sec. 7	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	14-48d
Sec. 8	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	14-49

Sec. 9	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	14-49b
Sec. 10	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	13b-59(f)
Sec. 11	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	14-381
Sec. 12	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	14-12(a)
Sec. 13	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	14-50(a)

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