



General Assembly

February Session, 2022

***Raised Bill No. 5358***

LCO No. 1754



Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by:  
(PD)

***AN ACT CONCERNING CERTIFICATES OF APPROVAL FOR MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERSHIPS AND REPAIR SHOPS.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 14-54 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

3 Any person who desires to obtain a license for dealing in or repairing  
4 motor vehicles shall first obtain and present to the commissioner a  
5 certificate of approval [of the location for which such license is desired  
6 from the board or authority designated by local charter, regulation or  
7 ordinance of the town, city or borough wherein the business is located  
8 or is proposed to be located, except that in any town or city having a  
9 zoning commission, combined planning and zoning commission and a  
10 board of appeals, such certificate shall be approved by the board of  
11 appeals] from the zoning enforcement official of the municipality where  
12 such license is desired, affirming that the proposed location and use of  
13 the property conform to the municipality's zoning regulations. In  
14 addition thereto, such certificate shall be approved by the local building  
15 official and local fire marshal. The provisions of this section shall not

16 apply to (1) a transfer of ownership to a spouse, child, brother, sister or  
17 parent of a licensee, (2) a transfer of ownership to or from a corporation  
18 in which a spouse, child, brother, sister or parent of a licensee has a  
19 controlling interest, or (3) a change in ownership involving the  
20 withdrawal of one or more partners from a partnership.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2022</i>	14-54
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To specify that applicants for licenses for dealing in or repairing motor vehicles shall obtain certificates of approval of location and use from the zoning enforcement official of the municipality.

*[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.]*