

S.122: HOUSE TRANS C'EE REPORT VERSUS SENATE-AS-PASSED: SIDE-BY-SIDE COMPARISON

House as Passed Sec. No.	Senate-as-Passed Sec. No.	Substantive differences are highlighted in yellow
1	1	<p>A. Definition of dealer:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Changes min sales for snowmobile, ATV, motorboat dealers from 6/12 to 1/2; 2. Adds new min sales requirements (1/2) for trailer dealers and motorcycle/moped dealers; 3. Gets rid of the "at retail" language; 4. Misc changes to wording/terminology, including repealing unnecessary definition of "new car dealer." <p>B. New provision amending the definition of transporter to expand it.</p>
2	2	<p>A. Laws regulating dealers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Amends dealer eligibility requirements (§ 450a); 2. Clarifies the language authorizing temporary display of vehicles at fairs (§ 451(b)); 3. Authorizes DMV to suspend/revoke a dealer license without a prior hearing for a 15-day period upon a finding that safety of the public will be imperiled (§ 462); 4. Conforming changes to fee section related to new definitions of "engaged in the business" for other vehicle types; 5. Conforming changes related to deletion of "new car dealer" definition; 6. Cleans up language regarding suspension/revocation/cancellation of dealer registrations (§ 462). <p>B. New provision amending law regulating transporters: expands the law to allow use of transporter plates by employees or contractors (§ 491).</p>
3	3	None. Conforming changes to snowmobile dealer law.
4	4	None. Conforming changes to motorboat dealer law.
5	5	None. Conforming changes to ATV dealer law.
--	6	Strikes section authorizing the Commissioner to adopt rules governing insurance cards.
6	--	New section amending the law governing parking for persons with disabilities.
7-9	7-9	None. Sections addressing multifunction school activity buses (railroad crossings; road test).
--	10	Strikes section amending the junior operator/portable electronic device law.
10	11	Strikes language in general handheld law defining "operating" a motor vehicle to include temporary stops.
11	12	Strikes language in texting law defining "operating" a motor vehicle to include temporary stops.
12	--	New section adding legislative intent language about codifying the <i>Hurley</i> decision.
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14	14	Strikes the phrase "of the applicant" at the end of the sentence regarding authorized urinalysis testing of total abstinence program applicants, because of DMV's stated intent to authorize the testing of persons whose licenses have been restored under the program.
15	--	New section authorizing enforcement officers to obtain permits to use red and amber signal lamps and various emergency responders to obtain a permit to use one blue colored signal lamp.
16	--	New section to make conforming changes related to Sec. 15.
17-19	15-17	None. Gives Commissioner discretion regarding motor vehicle title legends.
20-22	18-20	None. Gives Commissioner discretion regarding snowmobile, ATV, and motorboat title legends.
23	21	None. Cleans up language of law authorizing towing of vehicle stopped, parked contrary to law.

--	22-25	Per request of DMV, strikes sections related to adding a definition of “towing service” to the abandoned motor vehicle law.
24	26	None. Cleans up provision in salvage yard law related to towing junk vehicles.
25	--	New section increasing authorized width of ATVs from 60 to 64 inches.
26	27	None. Temporary ATV registration and elimination of ATV registration reciprocity requirement.
27	28	Exemption from CDL road test for military drivers: changes wording from “previous year” to “last 12 months.”
28	29	None. Eliminates language requiring Comm’r to produce lists of registrations and suspensions.
29-30	30-31	None. Repeals nonresident motor truck registration law, and strikes related language in another law.
31-32	--	Adds sections eliminating the requirement that an arbitration hearing be held when a new motor vehicle arbitration law matter is uncontested and addressing the timing of a decision in uncontested matters.
33	--	Adds section extending biobus pilot end date by two years (from 9/1/15 to 9/1/17).
34	--	Adds section creating an “exempt vehicle title” that a Vermont resident may request for vehicles more than 25 years old, and makes related changes to various sections in the motor vehicle titling chapter arising from the distinction between the exempt vehicle title and ordinary certificates of title.
35	32	Effective dates: (1) makes lemon law sections effective on passage and addresses their applicability to matters pending on passage of the law; (2) makes exempt vehicle title provision eff. on 1/1/16; (3) eliminates 5-state trigger language as a result of deletion of Senate-as-passed Sec. 6.