

Proposed Amendment to S.149

Sec. 1. 23 V.S.A. Section 104(a) is amended to read:

~~(a) The records of the registration of motor vehicles, snowmobiles, and motorboats, licensing of operators and registration of dealers, all original accident reports, and the records showing suspension and revocation of licenses and registrations and the records regarding diesel fuel, gasoline, and rental vehicle taxes shall be deemed official and public records, and shall be open to public inspection at all reasonable hours. The Commissioner shall furnish certified copies of the records to any interested person on payment of such fee as established by subdivision 114(a)(21) of this title. Notwithstanding section 114 of this title, information from the records of the Department may be made available to government agencies in the manner determined by the Commissioner and at the actual cost of furnishing the same. The records may be maintained on microfilm or electronic imaging.~~

Any information contained in DMV records are subject to and shall be released in accordance with the Federal Driver Privacy Protection Act (18 U.S.C. §2721 et seq.).

Sec. 2a. 23 V.S.A. § 114(b) is amended to read:

(b) The Commissioner shall furnish the items listed in subsection (a) of this section ~~(i) only~~ upon a request which completely identifies the information sought, or (ii) pursuant to a contract with an outside entity for purposes authorized by the Federal Driver Privacy Protection Act (18 U.S.C. §2721 et seq.) or other applicable federal or state law. For purposes of this subsection only, Completely identifying the information sought for individuals shall mean name and date of birth, and for vehicles it shall mean either the registration number or the vehicle identification number.