

**S.339 – Misc. MV Bill**  
**Summary for Senate Finance**

- Sec. 1. Nondriver Identification Cards; Vermonters Released from Incarceration  
 (p. 1)
- Adds subsection (m) to 23 V.S.A. § 115. Establishes a fee of \$0.00 for a nondriver identification card issued to “[a]n individual sentenced to serve a period of imprisonment of six months or more committed to the custody of the Commissioner of Corrections . . .” Individual still needs to meet the other eligibility requirements and apply.
  - Standard fee is \$24.00. 23 V.S.A. § 115(a) (p. 1, ln. 18).
  - Precedent for lower fee (\$10.00). *See* 23 V.S.A. § 115(j) (p. 4, ln. 6).
- Sec. 4. Electronic In-Transit Permit  
 (p. 8)
- Creates a new section (23 V.S.A. § 518) for an in-transit permit.
  - Key attributes:
    - Electronic (so there would not be a plate on the car) and proof of permit can be shown with a handheld device;
    - Issued by the DMV, and only if the applicant purchases the vehicle from someone other than a registered motor vehicle dealer;
    - Valid for 10 days;
    - Applicant must attest to compliance with 23 V.S.A. § 800 (auto insurance) as part of the application;
    - \$6.00 fee (same as other in-transit permits, 23 V.S.A. §§ 516–517); and
    - Operator needs to carry proof of insurance and a valid bill of sale.
- Sec. 6. Annual Inspection of Exhibition Vehicles  
 (p. 11)
- Changes the vehicle inspection exemption for exhibition vehicles from “model year 1940 or before” to “50 model years old or more . . .”
  - The State gets \$6.00 for every inspection certificate issued by the DMV (to the inspection stations). All revenue goes to the Transportation Fund with one-half reserved for bridge maintenance. 23 V.S.A. §§ 1224, 1230.
- Sec. 10. Waiver of Reinstatement Fee  
 (p. 18)
- Amends 4 V.S.A. § 1109(c)(4) to add language that permits Vermont Judicial Bureau hearing officers to waive the \$80.00 statutory license reinstatement fee (23 V.S.A. § 675(a)).
    - NOTE: The DMV believes that this was inadvertently repealed when language was moved from Title 23 to Title 4 (2016 Acts & Resolves No. 157, Sec. 4 (repeal of 23 V.S.A. § 2307)).

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- Sec. 13.  
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- Exempt Vehicle Title
- Closes the gap between when you need a certificate of title (less than 15 years old) and when a vehicle is eligible for an exempt vehicle title (currently more than 25 years old) by amending 23 V.S.A. § 2013(a)(2) to make exempt vehicle titles available if vehicle is more than 15 years old.
  - There is a fee of \$35.00, same as for a certificate of title. 23 V.S.A. § 2002(a)(1).
- Sec. 20.  
(p. 37)
- Diesel Fuel Tax; Credits and Refunds
- Amends 23 V.S.A. § 3020 to establish a system where all overpayments, payments illegally or erroneously collected or computed, or payments of tax by a user who sells or delivers fuel subject to the general sales tax (32 V.S.A. chapter 233) are exclusively treated as credits (as opposed to a credit or refund) that can be allowed as a credit against either tax owed in a succeeding reporting period or an IRP registration fee.
  - The user can request a refund of a credit within 33 months after the credit is added to the user's account and the user is notified of the credit by mail.
  - This is a policy change from the current practice where refunds are automatic if the excess tax paid is \$25.00 or more (p. 39, Ins.9–11).
  - Note: Subdivisions (a)(2) and (3) are not new (former subsecs. (b) and (c)).
- Sec. 21.  
(p. 40)
- International Registration Plan; Credits and Refunds
- Amends 23 V.S.A. § 3705 to apply any credits (including diesel fuel tax credits) to registration fees owed under the International Registration Plan and to have any overpayment of registration fees, including those fees that were erroneously collected or computed or for which the State was without power to impose, be credited to the account of the registrant maintained pursuant to 23 V.S.A. § 3020 (what is amended in Sec. 20).
- Sec. 27.  
(p. 49)
- Public Records Requests; Report
- Requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to report back on changes it makes to policies and practices surrounding the release of personal information pursuant to 23 V.S.A. §§ 104 and 114 (provide that the DMV shall release information pursuant to the Driver's Privacy Protection Act (DPPA)).
  - Report must include what permissive disclosures in the DPPA information is being released pursuant to, statistics for calendar year 2020, updates to documents, **and a breakdown of fees collected.**
  - Report due by January 15, 2021.