

## Session 115 - (2003-2004)

**S 0394 General Bill, By Leatherman, Gregory, McConnell, Richardson, Ritchie, Ryberg, Giese, Hayes, Verdin, Waldrep and Kuhn**

***Similar (S 0342, H 3538)***

**Summary:** DMV Reform Act of 2003

A BILL TO ENACT THE "DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES REFORM ACT OF 2003" INCLUDING PROVISIONS TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 56-1-5 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES; BY ADDING SECTION 56-1-15 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES MAY ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN PERSONS AND ENTITIES TO ADMINISTER CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE DRIVER'S LICENSE EXAMINATION; BY ADDING SECTION 56-1-125 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN PERSONS MUST BE REGISTERED FOR THE UNITED STATES SELECTIVE SERVICE WHEN APPLYING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR CERTAIN SERVICES; BY ADDING SECTION 56-1-345 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES MAY CHARGE AND COLLECT CERTAIN FEES FOR PROVIDING CERTAIN INFORMATION RECORDS MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT; TO AMEND SECTION 1-30-90, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO CERTAIN DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, SO AS TO DELETE ALL DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS THAT RELATE TO ITS MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION; TO AMEND SECTION 23-6-20 AND SECTION 23-6-30, BOTH AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT, DUTIES, AND POWERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, SO AS TO DELETE ITS MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION AND ITS DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 56-1-10, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE DEFINITIONS OF TERMS THAT RELATE TO THE REGULATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES ALONG THE STATE'S HIGHWAYS, SO AS TO REDEFINE THE TERM "DEPARTMENT" TO MEAN THE "DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES"; TO AMEND SECTION 56-1-140, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE FEE FOR AND CONTENT OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE FEE FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE THAT IS VALID FOR FIVE YEARS IS TWELVE DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS, AND THE FEE FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE THAT IS VALID FOR TEN YEARS IS TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS; TO AMEND SECTION 56-1-210, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A DRIVER'S LICENSE IS VALID FOR TEN YEARS INSTEAD OF FIVE YEARS FOR A PERSON WHO IS UNDER SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE; TO AMEND SECTION 56-2-2740, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE RENEWAL OF LICENSE PLATES, VALIDATION DECALS, AND VEHICLE REGISTRATION CARDS, SO AS TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT REQUIRES THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ISSUE LICENSE PLATES AND REVALIDATION DECALS, TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON SHALL OBTAIN MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES OR AN ENTITY AUTHORIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT, TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON SHALL OBTAIN VALIDATION DECALS AND MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION CARDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, THE COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE, OR AN ENTITY AUTHORIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, TO PROVIDE THE CONDITIONS UPON WHICH VALIDATION DECALS AND REGISTRATION CARDS MAY BE ISSUED, AND TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN FEES MAY BE CHARGED BY THE TREASURER'S OFFICES AND CERTAIN ENTITIES TO DEFRAY THEIR COSTS OF ISSUING VALIDATION DECALS AND REGISTRATION CARDS; TO REPEAL SECTION 23-6-35, RELATING TO FEES THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY MAY CHARGE AND COLLECT FOR PROVIDING CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLE RECORDS; TO REPEAL ARTICLE 7, CHAPTER 6, TITLE 23, RELATING TO THE CREATION AND CERTAIN DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; AND TO DIRECT THE CODE COMMISSIONER TO CHANGE CERTAIN REFERENCES THAT RELATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE NEWLY CREATED DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

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