

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 5559

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LCO No. 5945



Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION

Introduced by: (TRA)

## AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PERSONS WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) On and after January 1,
- 2 2020, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall make available, upon
- 3 request by a person with autism spectrum disorder or if such person is
- 4 a minor, such person's parent or guardian, a blue envelope to contain
- 5 such person's motor vehicle operator's license, registration and
- 6 insurance identification card. The commissioner, in consultation with
- 7 the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association and with at least one
- 8 organization that advocates for persons with autism spectrum
- 9 disorder, shall provide information and guidance on the outside of the
- 10 envelope regarding ways to enhance effective communication between
- 11 a police officer and a motor vehicle operator with autism spectrum
- 12 disorder.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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## Statement of Purpose:

To require the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to make available, upon request by a person with autism spectrum disorder, a blue envelope to contain such person's operator's license, registration and insurance card.

[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.]

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