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seeing that's addressed, I would urge adoption of this and support this bill. Thank you.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you, Senator Penn. Would anybody else wish to remark? Are there any further remarks? If not, is there any objection to placing Senate Calendar 574, Substitute for House Bill 7273, on the Consent Calendar? Is there any objection? Hearing none, it is so ordered.

Madam Clerk.

THE CHAIR:

Calendar Page 7, Calendar 577, Files 214, 768 and 989, Substitute for House Bill No. 6968, AN ACT REVISING THE MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS. (As amended by House Amendment Schedules "A", "B" and "C").

Favorable Report of the Committee on Education.

The Clerk is in possession of three amendments.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much. The Chair would recognize Senator Meotti.

SENATOR MEOTTI:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President. I move passage in accordance with the House and I would ask the Clerk to call LCO No. 8248.

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Thank you very much. Madam Clerk.

THE CLERK:

LC08248, designated Senate Amendment Schedule "A",
offered by Senator Meotti and Kissel.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Kissel.

SENATOR KISSEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to move adoption of the amendment, waive the reading and ask to summarize.

THE CHAIR:

Please proceed, Senator.

SENATOR KISSEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. Essentially what this amendment does is delete Section 34 of the underlying bill. There's over 2,300 lines in this bill, 49 pages and this particular amendment deals with Pages 44 through 45. It has to do with the definition of a peace officer which within the definition includes state police, local police, inspectors for the Division of Criminal Justice, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, special deputy sheriffs and several other categories and what the underlying bill would do is add a motor vehicle inspector engaged in the performance of the motor carrier safety assistance program.

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What this amendment does is strike that addition of motor vehicle inspectors. The basis for the amendment is somewhat simple. There have been objections by people already called peace officers within this section. There are specific training requirements, ability to make arrests, conduct different aspects of their duties and there is specialized training regarding some of those aspects as referenced in other statutes and so that creates a problem with an expansion of our definition of peace officer.

There is also a question as to this new group of people obtaining expanded heart and hypertension benefits as well as retirement benefits at 20 and out and it's my understanding that there's already limited heart and hypertension benefits available to individuals in this job classification and also that they do have a sufficient retirement system that commences at 25 and that it would be unnecessarily financially burdensome to allow this expansion of this category and that is a brief, concise statement of what this amendment does.

And finally, I would like to note that very graciously and in the spirit of bipartisanship, I put forward this concern that I had to Senator Meotti and that in working together we put forward this amendment

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and I would hope that it would pass on a voice vote.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much, Senator. Anybody else wish to remark on Senate Amendment "A", LCO No. 8248? Any further remarks? If not, then please let me know your mind. All those in favor of LCO No. 8248, designated Senate Amendment "A", please signify by saying aye.

SENATORS:

Aye.

THE CHAIR:

Opposed.

The ayes have it.

The amendment is adopted.

Madam Clerk.

THE CLERK:

LCO8952, designated Senate Amendment Schedule "B",
offered by Senator Meotti.

SENATOR MEOTTI:

Yes, Mr. President. I move adoption of the amendment and ask that the reading be waived.

THE CHAIR:

Please proceed, Senator.

SENATOR MEOTTI:

Yes, Mr. President. This amendment takes a driver retraining provision in this bill that deals with the

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age group of 18 and over and makes the hearing process and another minor piece of this parallel to the bill that we adopted, final adoption a few days ago for drivers under the age of 18.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much, Senator Meotti. Would anybody else wish to remark on LCO No. 8929? Are there any further remarks? If not, then please let me know your mind. All those in favor of LCO No. 8929, designated by the Clerk as Senate Amendment "B". Please signify by saying aye.

THE CLERK:

No, it's 8952.

THE CHAIR:

8952, I apologize. LCO No. 8952, designated by the Clerk as Senate Amendment "B". Please signify by saying aye.

SENATORS:

Aye.

THE CHAIR:

Opposed.

The ayes have it.

The amendment is adopted.

Mr. Clerk.

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LCO8929, which will be designated Senate Amendment
Schedule "C". It's offered by Senator Kissel of the
7th District.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Meotti.

SENATOR MEOTTI:

That's the same as Amendment "A", which was
adopted.

SENATOR KISSEL:

Mr. President, may that please be withdrawn?

THE CHAIR:

Certainly. Thank you very much. Are there any
further amendments, Mr. Clerk?

THE CLERK:

No further amendments, Mr. President.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Meotti, you have before you now Substitute
for House Bill 6968, as amended by Senate Amendments
"A" and "B".

SENATOR MEOTTI:

Yes, Mr. President, this bill makes a number of
changes in a variety of motor vehicle laws some of
which are very technical nature. Others are just
vaguely, slightly more than technical, such as allowing
regional resource recovery authorities operated by

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several municipalities to put municipal plates on their vehicles and other changes of that sort, coordinating the school passenger transportation, per pupil transportation permits currently used for school bus drivers to get in conformity with federal law by turning that it into, rather than a permit, turning it into an endorsement on the CDL license which is required for drivers and other changes of that sort.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you. Senator, did you move this bill in concurrence with the action of the House?

SENATOR MEOTTI:

Yes, I did, Mr. President.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much. Would anybody else wish to remark on Senate Calendar 577, as amended? Are there any further remarks? If not, Senator Meotti, would you like to make a motion to place this item on the Consent Calendar?

SENATOR MEOTTI:

Yes, Mr. President.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much. Is there any objection to placing Senate Calendar 577, Substitute for House Bill 6968, as amended by Senate "A" and "B", on the Consent

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Calendar? Is there any objection? Hearing none, so ordered.

THE CLERK:

Calendar Page 18, Calendar No. 415, File No. 725,
Substitute for Senate 841, AN ACT CONCERNING A FEE ON
WATER COMPANIES.

Favorable Report of the Committee on Energy and
Public Utilities.

The Clerk is in possession of two amendments --
three amendments.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much. Senator Maloney.

SENATOR MALONEY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would move approval for
the Joint Committee's Favorable Report and passage of
the bill and ask the Clerk to call LCO No. 9050.

THE CLERK:

LCO9050, which will be designated Senate Amendment
Schedule "A". It's offered by Senator Maloney of the
24th District.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much. The Chair would recognize
Senator Maloney.

SENATOR MALONEY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would move the

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THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much, Mr. Clerk. The issue before the Chamber is Consent Calendar No. 2 for today, June 4, 1993. Mr. Clerk, would you please read the items that have been placed on Consent.

THE CLERK:

The second Consent Calendar, Mr. President, begins on Calendar Page 2, Calendar No. 340, House Bill No. 7187.

Calendar Page 5, Calendar No. 520, Substitute for House Bill 6368. Calendar 545, Substitute for House Bill 6876.

Calendar Page 6, Calendar No. 574, Substitute for House Bill 7273.

Calendar Page 7, Calendar 577, Substitute for House Bill 6968 and Calendar Page 18, Calendar No. 415, Substitute for Senate Bill 841.

Mr. President, that completes the second Consent Calendar.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much. You've heard the items that have been placed on Consent Calendar No. 2 for June 4, 1993. The machine is on. You may record your votes.

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Senator Przybysz, do you want to vote? Have all Senators voted? Have all Senators voted and are your votes properly recorded? Have all Senators voted and your votes are properly recorded? The machine is closed.

The result of the vote:

34	Yea
0	Nay
2	Absent

Consent Calendar No. 2 is adopted.

SENATOR DIBELLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just for a clarification, on Calendar Item 437, House Bill 7250. I made a motion to reconsider. The bill was not in the possession of the Clerk. I would maintain my option for reconsideration when that bill is in the possession of the Clerk.

THE CHAIR:

I think it's in front of you now and you can mark it Pass Retained, holding its place on the Calendar.

SENATOR DIBELLA:

Well, I think, Mr. President, the problem is it is not in the possession of the Clerk, thereby not in possession of the Senate. It apparently went directly to the committee. How it got there, I don't know, so it's

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remarks, I'd ask this be placed on the Consent Calendar.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you. Is there any objection to placing Senate Calendar 636, Substitute for House Bill 5994, on the Consent Calendar? Is there any objection? Hearing none, so ordered.

THE CLERK:

Calendar No. 638, File No. 1038, Substitute for House Bill 6605, AN ACT PROMOTING SIMPLICITY IN THE DETERMINATION OF THE MEASURE OF SALES AND USE TAXES AND THE OWNERSHIP OF SALES TAXES COLLECTED BY A RETAILER FROM RETAIL CUSTOMERS. (As amended by House Amendment Schedules "A", "B", "C", "D", "E" and "F").

Favorable Report of the Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much. The Chair would recognize Senator Maloney.

SENATOR MALONEY:

Thank you, Madam President. I would move approval of the Joint Committee Favorable Report and passage of the bill in concurrence with the House.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much, sir. Do you wish to remark

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further?

SENATOR MALONEY:

Madam President, this bill started out as the title implies, as a bill promoting simplicity. It has evolved far beyond that during its tenure in this General Assembly and now has scores of provisions most of which make technical changes in various parts of the tax code, but also some of which address issues that have been of some substantive concern. For example, Section 8 corrects the standard industrial code for the repeal of the electrical utilities tax and then adds natural gas as also being subject to the phaseout.

The major changes in the bill deal with the state's pari-mutuel and OTB betting facilities and Sections 29 through 35 in particular require the sale of the OTB program which is consistent with the Budget Act, but this in effect is an implementing act for the Budget Act.

Section 36 modifies, reduces the taxes paid by the pari-mutuel facilities. 37 requires the state to offer any vacancy in state service that is occasioned by the sale of the OTB system to qualified permanent state employees and other miscellaneous tax items. I think it's probably best if I just leave it at that and if anyone has any particular question, I'd be glad to

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answer any questions.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much. The Chair would recognize Senator Nickerson.

SENATOR NICKERSON:

Yes, just one question. I certainly agree with the Chairman in that what again is simplicity is anything but, but I do want to ask a question with regard to the fiscal note pertaining to Section 36, which as he correctly points out, is the provision which reduces the tax on the pari-mutual, and more specifically, as I read Exhibit 2 on Page 73 of the file, I guess it was 73 pages, it's certainly not simple, the revenue loss from that pari-mutuel change is \$6.6 million in each of the two years of the biennium, but that that is more than outweighed, considerably more than outweighed by the revenue obtained from the sale. Is that a fair summary -- the sale of OTB? Is that a fair summary of the effect of the pari-mutuel tax changes?

THE CHAIR:

Senator Maloney.

SENATOR MALONEY:

Thank you, Madam President, yes, I believe that is correct.

SENATOR NICKERSON:

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Okay, well I will just comment that standing alone, I'm not sure reduction of the OTB tax as is necessary, the most comprehensive and best thought out change we could make, but since it's led to certain other desirable and welcome changes, I support that provision and the rest of the bill. Thank you.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much. Would anybody else wish to remark on Senate Calendar 638? Are there any further remarks? If not, Senator Maloney, if you would like to make a motion to place this item on the Consent Calendar.

SENATOR MALONEY:

I would so move, Madam President.

THE CHAIR:

Is there any objection to placing Senate Calendar 636, Substitute for House Bill 6605, on the Consent Calendar? Is there any objection? Hearing none, so ordered.

THE CLERK:

Calendar Page 15, Calendar No. 640, File No. 1036, Substitute for House Bill 5307, AN ACT CONCERNING HOMESTEAD FOR RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY. (As amended by House Amendment Schedule "A").

Favorable Report of the Committee on Judiciary.

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House Bill 5200.

Calendar Page 4, Calendar 565, Substitute for House
Bill 6714.

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House Bill 6900. Calendar No. 600, Substitute for
House Bill 7041.

Calendar Page 8, Calendar 605, Substitute for House
Bill 7113. Calendar No. 607, Substitute for House Bill
7102.

Calendar Page 9, Calendar No. 611, Substitute for ~~(413 7277)~~
House Bill 7270.

Calendar Page 14, Calendar No. 636, Substitute for
House Bill 5994. Calendar No. 638, Substitute for
House Bill 6605.

Calendar Page 15, Calendar No. 640, Substitute for
House Bill 5307. Calendar 641, Substitute for House
Bill 5435. Calendar No. 642, House Bill 7283.

Madam President, that completes the second Consent
Calendar.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much, Mr. Clerk. You have heard the
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may record your vote.

Senator DiBella and Senator Balducci. Is Senator Balducci about some place? Have all Senators voted and are your votes properly recorded? Have all Senators voted and are your votes properly recorded? The machine is closed.

The result of the vote:

36	Yea
0	Nay
0	Absent

Consent Calendar No. 2 for today has been adopted.

Thank you.

SENATOR DIBELLA:

Thank you, Madam President.

THE CHAIR:

Senator DiBella.

SENATOR DIBELLA:

Thank you, Madam President. I would ask that Calendar Item 599, Substitute for House Bill No. 6900, be sent to the House. There's a Senate Amendment on that that will require further House business.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much. Is there any objection to the immediate transmittal of Senate Calendar 599, Substitute for House Bill 6900, as amended by Senate

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Calendar? Is there any objection? Hearing none, so
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SENATOR MALONEY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would move approval for
the Joint Committee's Favorable Report and passage of
the bill and ask the Clerk to call LCO No. 9050.

THE CLERK:

LCO9050, which will be designated Senate Amendment
Schedule "A". It's offered by Senator Maloney of the
24th District.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much. The Chair would recognize
Senator Maloney.

SENATOR MALONEY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would move the

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THE CHAIR:

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THE CHAIR:

Thank you very much. You've heard the items that have been placed on Consent Calendar No. 2 for June 4, 1993. The machine is on. You may record your votes.

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Senator Przybysz, do you want to vote? Have all Senators voted? Have all Senators voted and are your votes properly recorded? Have all Senators voted and your votes are properly recorded? The machine is closed.

The result of the vote:

34 Yea

0 Nay

2 Absent

Consent Calendar No. 2 is adopted.

SENATOR DIBELLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just for a clarification, on Calendar Item 437, House Bill 7250. I made a motion to reconsider. The bill was not in the possession of the Clerk. I would maintain my option for reconsideration when that bill is in the possession of the Clerk.

THE CHAIR:

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SENATOR DIBELLA:

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Wednesday, May 19, 1993

CLERK:

Calendar 197, Substitute for House Bill 6968, AN
ACT REVISING THE MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS.

REP. LUBY: (82nd)

I move that that matter be referred to the
Committee on Education.

DEPUTY SPEAKER PUDLIN:

Move to refer to Committee on Education. Hearing
no objections, so moved.

CLERK:

Calendar 327, Substitute for House Bill 7018, AN
ACT CONCERNING RURAL ECONOMIC EMERGENCY AREAS.

DEPUTY SPEAKER PUDLIN:

Representative Luby.

REP. LUBY: (82nd)

I move that that matter be referred to the
Committee on Appropriations.

DEPUTY SPEAKER PUDLIN:

The motion's for referral to the Committee on
Appropriations. Seeing no objection, so moved.

CLERK:

Calendar 328, Substitute for House Bill 7121, AN
ACT CONCERNING STREAMLINING THE PERMIT PROGRAMS OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

DEPUTY SPEAKER PUDLIN:

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Senate Bill 681, as amended by Senate "A", in concurrence with the Senate.

Total Number Voting	146
Necessary for Passage	74
Those Voting Yea	146
Those Voting Nay	0
Those absent and not Voting	5

DEPUTY SPEAKER PUDLIN:

The bill as amended passes. Return to the Call of the Calendar, Calendar No. 197.

CLERK:

On Page 17, Calendar 197, Substitute for House Bill 6968, AN ACT REVISING THE MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS.

Favorable Report of the Committee on Education.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Representative Cocco.

REP. COCCO: (127th)

Thank you, Madam Speaker. I move the Joint Committee's Favorable Report and passage of the bill.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

The question before the Chamber is on acceptance and passage. Will you remark?

REP. COCCO: (127th)

Yes, thank you, Madam Speaker. The Clerk has an amendment LCO7282. Will the Clerk please call and I be

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allowed to summarize?

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

The Clerk has in his possession LCO7282, which will be designated House "A". Will the Clerk please call and the Representative has asked leave to summarize.

CLERK:

LCO No. 7282, designated House "A", offered by Representative Cocco.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Representative Cocco.

REP. COCCO: (127th)

Thank you, Madam Speaker. It's a rather lengthy amendment that has some technical adjustments to the language in the file before us, and I shall point out to the Chamber some of those adjustments. In line 472, there are language changes to conform with federal regulations and some of those same language changes follow throughout the bill for instance in line 1191, again in line 1228 and again in line 1306.

If we follow down to line 1423, we have reinstated the fees for school buses both type 1 and type 2, and if we look on page 4 of the amendment in line 1545, the language that follows to almost the end of the page is to replace other licensing requirements under the PPPT license. On page 5, we address the two number plates

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which motor vehicles now have and however, our law at the present time doesn't say that if you have two plates, you must have them on your vehicle.

This clarifies that. On page 6, it clarifies that the Commissioner may have some flexibility in denoting where the sticker you are issued when you register your motor vehicle shall be affixed on the rear number plate. Continuing on the same page, we find that we are allowing the Commissioner within available appropriations to continue the two plates as he deems possible.

You will find on page 7 that we are changing full face photograph to picture. There are several reasons for this, and one is that we are intending to go to digitized imaging, and in order to do this we need to clarify the language and say picture. Also there are some law enforcement agencies who believe that other than a full face picture is easier for them to discern.

Continuing down to the bottom of that page we are clarifying that a motor vehicle inspector engaged in the performance of the motor carrier safety assistance program shall be designated a peace officer. Following along on page 8, we are deleting some language that is outdated. The Attorney General's office has advised us that we should take the word "pilot" out of the

program. That allows the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to issue licenses at several locations.

On page 9 there is a date change to January 1, 1995 on testing of commercial vehicles, diesel powered commercial vehicles, and some language change because of the interstate commerce laws in making sure that those vehicles tested are vehicles that are registered in our state. Continuing along on page 10, most of those language changes relate to the same issue, and the same for page 11, and with that, Madam Speaker, I would move adoption of the amendment.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

The question before the Chamber is on adoption. Will you remark? Will you remark on the amendment that is before us? Representative Farr.

REP. FARR: (19th)

Thank you, Madam Speaker. Just one question, through you, to Representative Cocco. Am I to understand with the passage of this amendment as of October 1 of next year, all legislators will have to have both plates on their car? Through you, Madam Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Representative Cocco.

REP. COCCO: (127th)

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Excuse me, through you, Madam Speaker, I wasn't quite sure what you said, but if you said, by October 1, do all vehicles have to have two plates?

REP. FARR: (19th)

No. Through you, Madam Speaker, to Representative Cocco, as of October 1, 1993, will all legislators have to have two plates on their cars? We've been issued two plates. Is that correct? Through you, Madam Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Representative Cocco.

REP. COCCO: (127th)

Through you, Madam Speaker, it is.

REP. FARR: (19th)

Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Will you remark further on the amendment?

Representative Munns.

REP. MUNNS: (9th)

Thank you Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, a question to Representative Cocco, through you?

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Please frame your question.

REP. MUNNS: (9th)

Thank you. Representative Cocco, I am looking at

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page 9 of the amendment concerning the change of date on the emissions inspections of diesel powered commercial vehicles. Could you just elaborate a little more on that program and a little bit of the background and the need of change in that date? Through you, Madam Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Representative Cocco.

REP. COCCO: (127th)

Yes, through you Madam Speaker. We simply don't have the resources, at this point in time, as we know it is May, I believe 26th, possibly 27th and by July 1, 1993, we will not have in place what is necessary to do that testing. However, in speaking to the Commissioner, certainly it is a program that we want to go forward with and it is much more realistic to set a date of January 1, 1995 when we believe that we will be ready and be able to comply with the law. Through you, Madam Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Representative Munns.

REP. MUNNS: (9th)

Yes. Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, I am sure this is a subject that you know a lot about being former chairman of the Transportation Committee, I just

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wanted to bring up that point because if we are going to do something about the air pollution and have emissions testing, we certainly should do it also for diesel powered commercial vehicles and I am not too happy extending that date, but given the reasons I can support the amendment.

Thank you, Madam. Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Thank you, Sir. Will you remark further on the amendment that is before us? If not, let me ...Representative Winkler.

REP. WINKLER: (41st)

Yes. Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise in support of the amendment. The particular bill as amended is a combination of several pieces of legislation that were controversial in nature and it makes several technical changes regarding commercial motor vehicles and standards and this is necessary to avoid the loss of federal funds and I urge the Chamber's adoption.

Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Thank you, Madam. Will you remark further on the amendment that is before us? If not, let me try your minds. All those in favor, please signify by saying Aye.

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REPRESENTATIVES:

Aye.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Those opposed, nay.

The ayes have it. The amendment is adopted and ruled technical.

Will you remark further on the bill that is before us? Representative Winkler.

REP. WINKLER: (41st)

Yes. Thank you, Madam Speaker. The Clerk has an amendment LC08055. Will the Clerk please call and may I be allowed to summarize?

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

The Clerk has in his possession, LC08055 which will be designated House "B". Would the Clerk please call and the Representative has asked leave to summarize.

CLERK:

LC08055, designated House "B" offered by Representatives Winkler and Cocco.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Representative Winkler.

REP. WINKLER: (41st)

Thank you, Madam Speaker. What this amendment does, it allows the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to authorize, be authorized to require any licensed motor

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vehicle operator, 18 years of age or over, who has been convicted of a moving violation on two or more separate occasions, committed within a one year period of obtaining their drivers license, to attend a vehicle operators retraining program and I move adoption.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

The question before the Chamber is on adoption. Will you remark? Will you remark on the amendment that is before us? Representative Winkler.

REP. WINKLER: (41st)

Yes. Thank you, Madam Speaker. I believe this is a friendly amendment. It was offered the other evening on another bill and I had withdrawn my amendment. This particular amendment will not discriminate between our young, inexperienced drivers and our older drivers.

As I said the other evening, most drivers get their license at the age of 16. On occasion, we have some of our older drivers, some of our older citizens that have never driven, find themselves when their spouse passes on to be left without transportation and at that point, they go out and get a license.

That puts them in the inexperienced class. This particular legislation would only serve to make Connecticut roads safer and I urge the Chamber's adoption. Thank you.

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DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Thank you, Madam. Will you remark on the amendment that is before us? Will you remark? If not, let me try your minds. All those in favor, please signify by saying Aye.

REPRESENTATIVES:

Aye.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Those opposed, nay. The amendment is adopted and ruled technical.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Will you remark further? Representative Esposito.

REP. ESPOSITO: (116th)

Thank you, Madam Speaker. The Clerk has in his possession an amendment, LC07259. Would he please call and I be allowed to summarize?

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

The Clerk has in his possession LC07259 which will be designated House "C". Would the Clerk please call and the Representative has asked leave to summarize.

CLERK:

House Amendment "C" LC07259 offered by Representative Cocco of the 127th District and Representative Esposito of the 116th District.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

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Representative Esposito.

REP. ESPOSITO: (116th)

Thank you, Madam Speaker. What this amendment does is it clears up the language, the vagueness of legislative plates. If you were a used car dealer or a new car dealer, there were some problems in obtaining legislative plates because we don't have a normal registration, so to speak.

Our plates are registered with the Motor Vehicle Department, but their interpretation made it somewhat vague. I think it happened to then Representative Balducci, a number of years back and I just had a similar problem in January and I spoke with the Motor Vehicle Department and they said this would make it much clearer for the them. With the passage of this, it would clear up a lot of the misunderstandings on the issue of the plates and I move its adoption, Madam Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

The question before the Chamber is on adoption. Will you remark on the amendment that is before us? Will your remark? If not, let me try your minds. All those in favor, please signify by saying Aye.

REPRESENTATIVES:

Aye.

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DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Those opposed, Nay. The ayes have it. The amendment is adopted and ruled technical. Will you remark further on the bill as amended? Will you remark? If not, will staff and guests please come to the well? Will members take their seats? The machine will be opened.

CLERK:

There is a roll call being held in the Hall of the House. Will all members please report to the chamber? There is a roll call in the Hall of the House.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Have all the members voted? And would the members please check the board to make sure that your vote is properly recorded?

The Clerk will please announce the tally.

CLERK:

House Bill 6968, as amended by House Amendment
Schedules "A", "B" and "C"

Total number voting	147
Necessary for Passage	74
Those voting Yea	146
Those voting Nay	1
Those absent and not Voting	4

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DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

The bill as amended, passes.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Representative Luby.

REP. LUBY: (82nd)

Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would move that we suspend our rules to allow the immediate transmittal to the Senate of all items acted on today where they still have yet to go to that distinguished chamber.

Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

The question before the Chamber is on suspension. Is there objection? Hearing none, so ordered.

REP. LUBY: (82nd)

Madam Speaker, I am prepared to do some references now. And I would like to make an announcement.

DEPUTY SPEAKER LYONS:

Please proceed with your announcements, Sir.

REP. LUBY: (82nd)

Thank you. Ladies and gentlemen of the Chamber, we intend to do just a few committee references right now and then we will be recessing for approximately one half hour. We will be returning to the Chamber about twenty of five and in between there, we will be asking all the Democratic members of the Chamber to please a

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Mr. Speaker, I would just like to point out that I asked for an amendment to be called in and I'm currently waiting for that amendment. With the adoption of House "C", Mr. Speaker, it would require a reference to the Public Safety Committee and so at this point I guess I'm going to have to move that this item be referred to the Committee on Public Safety, which has cognizance over the matters contained in House "C".

Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my motion and yield to the Majority Leader.

SPEAKER RITTER:

Where were you yesterday with that? The amendment, without objection is hereby withdrawn. Representative Luby.

REP. LUBY: (82nd)

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just extend my appreciate to Representative Fusco and I would ask that my appreciation of Representative Fusco and I would ask that this matter be passed temporarily.

SPEAKER RITTER:

This item will be passed temporarily.

Clerk, please continue with the call of the Calendar, 197.

CLERK:

Page 24, Calendar 197, substitute for House Bill

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6968, AN ACT REVISING THE MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS, as amended by House "A" and "B" and "C" and Senate "A" and "B". Favorable report of the committee on Education.

SPEAKER RITTER:

The Honorable Chair of the Transportation Committee, Representative Jacqueline Cocco from the 127th in Bridgeport. You have the floor, Madam.

REP. COCCO: (127th)

Good morning Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER RITTER:

Good morning Madam.

REP. COCCO: (127th)

Mr. Speaker, I move acceptance of the Joint Committee's favorable report and passage of the bill in concurrence with the Senate.

SPEAKER RITTER:

The motion is on acceptance and passage in concurrence with the Senate.

Please proceed, Madam.

REP. COCCO: (127th)

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Clerk has an amendment, 8248. Will the Clerk please call and I be allowed to summarize?

SPEAKER RITTER:

Clerk has amendment LC08248, previously designated

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Senate "A". If he may call it, Representative Cocco would like to summarize.

CLERK:

LC08248, Senate "A".

REP. COCCO: (127th)

Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER RITTER:

Representative Cocco.

REP. COCCO: (127th)

Mr. Speaker, this amendment deletes from the peace officer category, motor vehicle inspectors and I move adoption.

SPEAKER RITTER:

The question is on adoption. Will you remark further on Senate Amendment "A"? If not, I will try your minds.

All in favor, signify by saying Aye.

REPRESENTATIVES:

Aye.

SPEAKER RITTER:

Opposed, nay. Senate "A" is adopted and ruled technical. Representative Cocco.

REP. COCCO: (127th)

Mr. Speaker, the Clerk has an amendment, LC08952. Will the Clerk please call and I be allowed to

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summarize?

SPEAKER RITTER:

The Clerk has amendment LCO8952, Senate "B". If he may call, Representative Cocco would like to summarize.

CLERK:

LCO8952, Senate "B".

SPEAKER RITTER:

Representative Cocco.

REP. COCCO: (127th)

Mr. Speaker, amendment "B" is simply a language to conform to the driver safety legislation passed by this chamber earlier and I move adoption.

SPEAKER RITTER:

The question is on adoption. Will you remark further? If not, I will try your minds. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye.

REPRESENTATIVES:

Aye.

SPEAKER RITTER:

Opposed, nay. Senate "B" is adopted and ruled technical. Do you care to comment on this bill as amended? Representative Winkler.

REP. WINKLER: (41st)

Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of the bill, as amended. These are basically technical

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changes that do make the bill better. It is an important piece of legislation do the Department of Motor Vehicles and I urge the Chamber's adoption.

Thank you.

SPEAKER RITTER:

Thank you, Madam. Anybody else? If not, staff and guests come to the well of the House. The machine will be opened.

CLERK:

The House of Representatives is voting by roll call. Members to the Chamber, please. The House of Representatives is voting by roll. Members to the Chamber.

SPEAKER RITTER:

Have all the members voted? If all the members have voted, please check the roll call machine to make sure your vote is properly cast. If all the members have voted, the machine will be locked and the Clerk will please take the tally.

Clerk, please announce the tally.

CLERK:

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"A", "B" and "C" and Senate "A" and "B"

Total number Voting 142

Necessary for Passage 72

Those voting Yea 140

Those voting Nay 2

Those absent and not Voting 9

SPEAKER RITTER:

The bill, as amended passes.

Clerk, please continue with the call of the
Calendar.

CLERK:

Calendar 306, page 25, substitute for House Bill
7013, AN ACT CONCERNING THE AWARD OF CONTRACTS TO
CERTAIN SMALL BUSINESSES, as amended by House "A" and
Senate "A". Favorable report of the Committee on
Appropriations.

SPEAKER RITTER:

The Honorable Chair of Transportation Committee, you
still have the floor, Representative Cocco. Thank you,
Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I move acceptance of the
Joint Committee's favorable report and passage of the
bill in concurrence with the Senate.

SPEAKER RITTER:

The motion is on acceptance and passage in

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Department of Transportation TestimonyBill No: 6968 Committee: TransportationBill Title: An Act concerning compliance with The Federal Commercial
Motor Vehicle Safety ActDepartment Position: Support

While this Bill does not have a direct impact on the operations of The Connecticut Department of Transportation, we support the purpose and the need to comply with The Federal Mandate.

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Senator Michael Meotti
Representative Jackie Cocco
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H.B. 6968 - "An Act Concerning Compliance with the Federal
Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act."

The Department of Motor Vehicles supports passage of this bill. There are a few technical changes that must be made concerning the definition of a commercial motor vehicle and commercial driver's license, in order for Connecticut to satisfy the current Federal compliance review, and thereby avoid the potential loss of Federal highway funds. These changes in no way alter the basic program, established by Congress and implemented by the Department to increase licensing standards for commercial operators.