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The Honorable Carol Hagan McEntee  
Chair, House Committee on Judiciary  
State House  
Providence, RI 02903

**RE: 2026 H-8523- AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES –  
SPECIAL STOPS REQUIRED**

Dear Chair McEntee:

The Division of Motor Vehicles ("DMV") respectfully requests an amendment to House Bill 8523, An Act Relating to Motor and Other Vehicles-Special Stops Required, to provide that it shall become effective six (6) months after passage.

The proposed bill would make numerous changes to the manner in which violations for failure to stop for a school bus are processed and adjudicated.

One of the provisions in the proposed bill requires that municipalities report unpaid or late civil or administrative fines to the DMV, which would then be required to prohibit the renewal of the registration of the vehicle associated with the violation. This new type of registration renewal block would require the DMV to make significant modifications to its computer system's code and operating system. Providing the DMV with ample time to implement this legislatively mandated changes will minimize risks to the system and allow for the successful completion of all development necessary to effectuate the intent of the legislature. As such, the DMV respectfully requests an amendment to the proposed bill that would make the bill effective six (6) months after passage.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Administrator

Cc: The Honorable Members of the House Committee on Judiciary  
The Honorable Thomas E. Noret  
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