

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT
House Bill No. 285 By Representative St. Germain

May 30, 2014

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 285 by Representative St. Germain, recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

1. Reject the set of five Senate Floor Amendments proposed by Senator Gallot and adopted by the Senate on May 22, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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Senator Richard "Rick" Gallot, Jr.

Representative Sherman Mack

Senator Robert Adley

Representative Karen Gaudet St. Germain

Senator Conrad Appel

DIGEST

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MTR VEHICLE/DRIVER LIC: Provides relative to documentation of school attendance as a condition of driving privileges

Report rejects Senate amendments which would have:

1. Deletes the requirement for the issuance of a hardship license if the licensee alleges that suspension of his driving privileges will deprive him or his family from earning a livelihood.
2. Deletes the requirement for the issuance of a hardship license for the period of suspension if the office of motor vehicles, after an investigation in conjunction with the Dept. of Revenue, finds the allegations to be true.
3. Deletes provision that the economic hardship license authorizes the licensee to operate a motor vehicle on streets or watercraft on waterways of the state which enable the licensee to earn his livelihood and such operation shall be restricted to times during which the driver is involved in earning a livelihood.
4. Deletes requirement that the licensee promptly notify the office of motor vehicles and the Dept. of Revenue if, during the period of suspension, any circumstance changes which necessitates a change in the original restrictions imposed by the office of motor vehicles.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

Present law provides that no minor may be issued a driver's license or learner's permit for the operation of a motor vehicle unless, at the time of application, documentation is presented to the department that the minor is enrolled and is attending a school as defined herein.

Present law provides upon request of any minor who is enrolled and attending school and who is eligible to apply for a license, the appropriate authority shall provide to him a documentation form developed by the Dept. of Education and made available to all school boards, home school providers, and adult education supervisors, of his compliance.

Proposed law provides documentation of school attendance provided to the minor by the appropriate authority is valid for a period of 90 days from the date of issuance.