

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2389**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*John C. Velis*

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

**An Act relative to Chapter 90B Vehicle Registration.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*John C. Velis*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Second Hampden and Hampshire*

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By Mr. Velis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2389) of John C. Velis for legislation relative to Chapter 90B vehicle registration. Transportation.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act relative to Chapter 90B Vehicle Registration.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 90B, Section 20 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2     inserting at the end of the following section. "Recreation vehicle" or "off-highway vehicle", any  
3     motor vehicle designed or modified for use over unimproved terrain for recreation or pleasure  
4     while not being operated on a public way as defined in chapter 90 including, but not limited to,  
5     all-terrain vehicles, off-highway motorcycles, dirt bikes, recreation utility vehicles and all  
6     registered motor vehicles while not being operated on a public way as defined in said chapter 90;  
7     provided, however, that recreation vehicles and off-highway vehicles operated exclusively for  
8     agricultural, forestry, lumbering or construction purposes shall not be subject to this chapter and  
9     it shall be an affirmative defense that such vehicle was being operated for such purposes at the  
10    time of an alleged violation of this chapter. :- "Any motor vehicle legally registered under  
11    chapter 90 will not be subject to registration (dual registration) under this chapter but registration  
12    numbers shall be displayed as required by said chapter 90.

13           SECTION 2. 1st paragraph of Section 22 of chapter 90B of the General Laws is hereby  
14 amended by striking the words “Provided, however, that the director may exempt a participant of  
15 a sanctioned race, rally or event who is not a resident of the commonwealth from the  
16 requirements of this section.”

17           And inserting the following words:- “All participants of a sanctioned race, rally or event  
18 that is sanctioned by a bonafide state, regional, national or international sanctioning body shall  
19 be exempt from the requirements of this section.”

20           Chapter 90B, Section 22 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting at the end  
21 of the 1st paragraph:- “Any motor vehicle legally registered under Chapter 90 will not be subject  
22 to registration under this chapter but registration numbers shall be displayed as required by said  
23 Chapter 90.”

24           SECTION 3. Section 21 of said chapter 90B, is hereby amended by

25           striking the words “The director may exempt a participant of a sanctioned race, rally or  
26 event who is not a resident of the Commonwealth from the requirements of this section.”

27           And inserting the following words:- “All participants of a sanctioned race, rally or event  
28 that is sanctioned by a bonafide state, regional, national or international sanctioning body shall  
29 be exempt from the requirements of this section