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HOUSE BILL ***1268-FN***

AN ACT relative to certain vehicle registrations.

SPONSORS: Rep. Packard, Rock 29; Rep. Letourneau, Rock 13

COMMITTEE: Transportation

ANALYSIS

This bill requires that persons claiming the exemption from certification of title for an older motor vehicle provide proof of a previously issued certificate for that vehicle in order to register the vehicle.

This bill is a request from the department of safety.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics.***
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand

AN ACT relative to certain vehicle registrations.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 New Section; Registration of Certain Title Exempted Vehicles. Amend RSA 261 by inserting after section 2 the following new section:

261:2-a Registration of Certain Title Exempted Vehicles. Notwithstanding the provisions of RSA 261:2 and RSA 261:148, no person shall register a motor vehicle exempted under RSA 261:3, I(k) in this state without first providing a previously issued New Hampshire certificate of registration, a valid out-of-state certificate of title, or a current New Hampshire vehicle identification number verification form as prescribed by the director. For the purposes of this section, a temporary registration issued pursuant to RSA 261:57 does not meet the requirement of a previously issued New Hampshire certificate of registration. Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2001.

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HB 1268-FN FISCAL NOTE

AN ACT relative to certain vehicle registrations.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), Judicial Council, Association of Counties and Department of Safety have determined this bill may increase state and county expenditures and decrease state and local revenue by an indeterminable amount in FY 2001 and each year thereafter. There will be no fiscal impact on local expenditures or county revenue.

METHODOLOGY:

The AOC stated this bill creates a category of misdemeanor offense. The AOC has determined this legislation will have little, if any, fiscal impact on the Branch as it will not significantly impact caseload.

The Judicial Council assumed that any cases arising from the enactment of this law for which the Indigent Defense Fund may be liable, will in the first instance, be handled by the Public Defender or contract attorneys who accept these cases on a fixed fee basis of $250 for each misdemeanor charge. If an assigned counsel attorney must be used, the hourly rate of $60, with a fee cap of $1,000 for misdemeanor cases will apply. If a motion to exceed the fee cap is approved and/or "services other than counsel" are approved, these will also be chargeable to the Indigent Defense Fund. The Council is unable to predict the number of cases or trials which may arise as a result of the passage of this legislation, therefor they are unable to estimate the dollar amount of the anticipated costs of such representation.

The Association of Counties is unable to predict how many, if any, individuals would be incarcerated at a county correctional facility as a result of this legislation. Therefor, they are unable to estimate the fiscal impact on the counties.

The Department of Safety stated if a person is unable to register a vehicle, state and local revenue would decrease as a result of lost registration fees. The Department expects the decrease to be minimal.

Committee Minutes

Date: April 4, 2000
Time: 4:05 PM
Room: 104-LOB

The Senate Committee on Transportation held a hearing on the following:

HB 1268 relative to certain vehicle registrations.

Members of Committee present: Senator Gordon
Senator Roberge
Senator Below

The Chair, Senator Edward M. Gordon, opened the hearing.

Senator Edward M. Gordon, D. 2: I'm going to open the hearing on House Bill 1268, relative to certain motor vehicle registrations. I'm going to call upon Representative Packard to give his testimony on House Bill 1268.

Representative Sherman Packard: This bill was somewhat at the request of the Department of Safety. When we found out about it we never realized that it was going on. What seems to be happening, I hope I portray this properly here but the Assistant Commissioner Stephen is here if I don't. What we found out is in the state of New Hampshire that our titles only extend back I think it's 12 years now and they're going up to 15.

We have some people that have come upon a very enterprising way to make money here. Somebody will sell a vehicle to this person, the person will come down and register it. The vehicle will never touch the state of New Hampshire's soil, never be brought into the state. The vehicle is sold back to the person all on paper. He's given the registration. The person takes that registration back to his own particular state, whereever the vehicle came from and registers it. Now this happens when there... Obviously we're dealing with a number of stolen vehicles here.

If you look at the back of the list that you have that was passed out to you, you'll see a number of vehicles. I mean this guy is going in and registering 10, 15, 20, 30 vehicles a week.

Attachment A, packet from Representative Packard.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: These are vehicles that have been stolen?

Representative Sherman Packard: Well some of them are. They're old ones. These are old vehicles.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: So you don't keep the ID numbers off them?

Representative Sherman Packard: Evidently there's a real problem with the old vehicles. I mean if you look at the list you're talking a lot of old motorcycles. 37, 57, 57, 39's these things could have been stolen years ago, put back together. There's no way to get a legitimate title in their state. They send the bill of sale to New Hampshire, the guy goes down to the town hall and gets a registration, sends it back to the state. And the state where ever it comes from registers the bike.

You'll see the list in the back of these bikes here. I mean most of them are motorcycles. But if you look at the front he has a list here, an effective price list of 1997, what he charges for this fee. Motorcycles are $100. Autos $150. Watercraft, Jet Skis, Corvettes, Porches... I guess basically what we call this is the guy's washing titles through the state of New Hampshire. And this bill...

Senator Edward M. Gordon, D. 2: This is my constituent.

Representative Sherman Packard: This bill is something... Unfortunately this is perfectly legal right now.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: It is?

Representative Sherman Packard: Commissioner Stephen brought this to our attention about a year and a half ago. And I guess the state police worked on it for about a year or 2 years trying to find anything that could stop it. From what we've been told there's nothing that the guy is doing technically illegally. I guess there's 3 or 4 people in the state that are doing this. This happens to be the largest person.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: You don't have a separate registry of ID numbers on vehicles.

Representative Sherman Packard: I guess the... Could I have Commissioner Stephen explain that process a little bit better than I could?

Senator Edward M. Gordon, D. 2: Sure. Any other questions for Representative Packard? Seeing none thanks for your brief testimony.

Representative Sherman Packard: Thanks.

Senator Edward M. Gordon, D. 2: Representative Letourneau do you object if we defer and call John Stephen in?

Representative Robert Letourneau: No, I don't have a problem with that.

Senator Edward M. Gordon, D. 2: Thank you.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: My name is John Stephen for the record, Assistant Commissioner for the Department of Safety. This bill real briefly in a nutshell is a result of something that the Division of State Police brought to my attention a couple years ago. And they asked me to do some research to see if it was an illegal practice, and I did, and I found that no they are complying with the law technically to the letter of the law.

What happens is in our statutes right now under RSA 261:148 someone can register a vehicle an exempt vehicle from the title laws because after 11 years, 12 now you don't have to have a title. So you can go in and register it. How do you register? You have to have a vehicle verification, VIN verification form filled out by the Division of State Police, which I've given to you to look at. You go into your clerk and have that filled out. You can also have a certificate of title if the vehicle has ever been titled before in another state. Or if in this state previously been registered. And most often that's how it happens, you have a previous registration.

The statute also allows you to go in if you have a bill of sale. And that's where the glitch is. So if I want to have a bill of sale, purchase a vehicle, if it looks like I purchased the vehicle I can go into a town clerks office, get a registration for that vehicle. They'll never see the vehicle. And then I'll resell it back to the person in the other state. And I charge $120, $200 for that service. They go to the other state's motor vehicles with New Hampshire registration, valid New Hampshire registration and they end up getting a title in another state. The letter you have before you is from I believe the state of Colorado.

Attachment B, letter from the state of Colorado.

This letter came out just recently in March of this year after we had already pushed for this legislation and Representative Packard had brought this

forward during the December period. But as you can see from this letter Colorado just sent to our Title Bureau indicating that one of their individuals out there told them that someone was selling titles from New Hampshire. And that's what happens. The state police find out time in and time out through other states that wait a second how did this guy, because when they catch the guy or find the vehicle the VIN's defaced or it's a stolen vehicle based on the VIN number. They find out it's stolen. Then they find out the guy's got a certificate of title from this state. How did you get that title? Well I have a New Hampshire registration that's how I got the title.

And this is what's happening. It's just a paper transaction here in New Hampshire. It's a business that legally exists and they're making an unbelievable amount of money. Some of the bikes I showed, I did a registration check and showed one of the lists was Indian Bikes. For some reason the 1940 Indian Motorcycles allegedly, maybe there were a few that were stolen but the individual in New Hampshire doesn't know that. And he has them sign something in the other state that says none of these vehicles are stolen. And they happen to be these old antique Indians. And I think there was something like just on the $200 fee there was like $200,000 one year on the sale of motorcycles.

So I'll tell you that it's a practice that's ongoing. We've had problems in other states. So how do you clear it up? Simply by making them... You don't want to have them have to show the vehicle to the town clerks or the city clerks. But if they don't have a registration, a previous New Hampshire registration, an out of state certificate of title than the state police or our motor vehicle inspectors or others that work for us will go down and inspect the vehicle and fill our this form. And that's a VIN verification form.

Attachment C, VIN verification form.

That's when we actually look at the VIN number, we verify it in our computer data base system and make sure it's not stolen. Once that's filled out they can go to the town clerk and get a registration. And it's a simple process. Does it require effort on our part? Yes. It's going to be an effort on our part. We'll do the best we can. But it's a way of stopping a business that I believe has some questionable practices. And again it is going to require some work. But its not going to require that much resources because our office space at the troop barracks and I was told we can have an enforcement person at each barracks accommodate the public in getting a VIN verification.

Senator Edward M. Gordon, D. 2: Senator Roberge?

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: Would it help... How long do you keep the VIN numbers on file now?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: The VIN numbers are on file... It depends on the vehicle. It depends on the make of the vehicle. They're on file for years depending upon, I mean there could be 30 years.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: Oh it is about 30.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: It could be.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: It would seem to me that if you could keep the VIN numbers on file until you were really sure that that vehicle could no longer be road worthy. 30, that's probably long enough. Then you would eventually be able to trace them.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: Trace the vehicle?

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: Yes trace the vehicle to find out if it's stolen.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: We could. The problem is if they have a bill of sale anybody can change a VIN number.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: How?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: In another state...

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: That isn't the number that's on the car itself part of the frame?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: Yes but it could be changed and altered very simply. They could send us... It's just a bill of sale right now, it's a paper transaction.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: The number on the car can be altered? The serial number on the car can be altered rather easily? Is that what you're telling me?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: I don't know if it's an easy practice but once that vehicle is stopped it's going to be determined. They'll be able to determine whether it's been altered. You can't alter it and not have a police officer recognize that.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: That's what I thought.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: But the problem though Senator is the VIN numbers that are coming in from out of state and I suspect if you look at some of those VIN numbers they're not going to be found to be stolen vehicles. But they're going to be found to be legitimate VIN numbers...

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: Maybe 2 people have the same VIN numbers?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: Possibly and there's no way that the clerks here in New Hampshire are going to find out as long as it's not a stolen vehicle we would give a registration.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: But if you already had that VIN number registered to somebody else you'd notice it pretty quickly wouldn't you?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: If it was in our computer system, yes. But we're talking about out of state vehicles.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: It's not a registry nation wide?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: The VIN number is a registry nation wide. The VIN number isn't checked at the clerk's office. The VIN number is checked by the state police. They will do either a verification or once they come in to get a title. On titled vehicles yes. But exempt vehicles from the title law are only checked if the state police are going down to view them or if they're stopped on the roadway.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: And exempt means?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: Outside 12 years.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: What if you wanted to make it longer than 12 years?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: We could do that our intent was to go to 15 years and that's what we're doing. We're phasing it in.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: Ok. It seems to me 20 might be a fair... I'm not saying don't do this but I'm saying maybe you ought to change the length of time to 20 years.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: The Commissioner had thought about titling all vehicles but that causes some problems with some of these

antique cars. People are going to be upset if they're going to have to come in for a title.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: Well I don't think a car is an antique at 40. Does anybody know about antique cars?

Representative Sherman Packard: Its 25 years.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: 20 would be fair.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: We could do that.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: I think you ought to do that anyway.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: I don't think the Department would be opposed to lengthening the title requirements but I think that we've kind of worked out an agreement with the legislative body anyway on that 15 year period.

Representative Sherman Packard: We just passed that I think it was last year or the year before that we decided the increase up to 15 years but I'm not sure we'd be opposed to going higher.

Senator Sheila Roberge, D. 9: Well it would solve part of his problem anyway.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: We could look at that.

Senator Clifton Below, D. 5: Is this existing VIN verification form what you use when you get a car from out of the country?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: Out of the state. Well if we see the vehicle. If we're asked to go and do the VIN verification we would use that form.

Senator Clifton Below, D. 5: Could this only be done by a state trooper as opposed to a local police officer? Is that possible?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: No. I think the way it was intended could be anyone prescribed by the Director. So the Director would give the authorization.

Senator Clifton Below, D. 5: So he could give that authorization to...

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: To locals. And I think that might not be a bad idea. And that's what was envisioned by writing that. Originally the original form said by the state police. And we left it to the Director's discretion with that in mind Senator. Because if it does get to a point where we can't handle it maybe we could have some of the locals help us out.

Senator Clifton Below, D. 5: Well in many communities the local police is going to be more convenient than the barracks.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: And they're right there.

Senator Clifton Below, D. 5: Just out of curiosity what's VIN issued as a check mark on this form? You have VIN verification and you have VIN issued.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: Is it the date the VIN was issued?

Senator Clifton Below, D. 5: It's just a different use of the form. I was just curious. And there's a dollar figure. There's a salvage fee at the bottom and a VIN issuance dollar fee.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: There are some vehicles that don't have a VIN number on it and the state police will issue a VIN number to it.

Senator Clifton Below, D. 5: Oh, they can actually issue a VIN number. That's something that's just sort of constructed in New Hampshire.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: Yeah, I think if you look at some of the older antiques too. I think there's some antiques that, Representative Packard is really well known in the antique area, he fixes and details vehicles, but there's some antiques that want VIN numbers. And they want their vehicles for sale purposes and we'll go down and issue. They don't have VIN numbers because they're too old but we'll issue one. And it's to help the process of commerce.

Representative Sherman Packard: If I may Senator any vehicle once it gets past a certain salvageable stage we take it out. A rebuildable wreck or something like this is usually the VIN number is retired and the state police will issue a New Hampshire VIN number to it. That's a salvaged vehicle, which obviously has to be on the title also. But that gets a salvaged title vehicle number, it's a VIN number.

Senator Clifton Below, D. 5: Ok.

Senator Edward M. Gordon, D. 2: It used to be that you didn't need a title on anything that was over 10 years old.

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: Right.

Senator Edward M. Gordon, D. 2: And that's changed now to 12 and you're phasing in... Is that being phased in by rule or is that being phased in statutorily?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: Statutorily. It will be up to 15 and it will stop at 15 years.

Senator Edward M. Gordon, D. 2: Any other questions?

Assistant Commissioner John Stephen: I think that the fact that no one's been opposed to this bill all the way through is important for us. I think that it's one of those things that the Department just uncovered something that when you look at some of these issues and you say is it illegal? Maybe, maybe not, it's a close call. But the fact that nobody has ever expressed any dissatisfaction with this bill to the Department tells me that it seemed like it was a good idea to at least clear this loop hole for other states at least. Thank you.

Senator Edward M. Gordon, D. 2: Representative Letourneau would you still like to testify?

Representative Robert Letourneau: Yeah if I can throw some more confusion into it. Thank you. I wanted to bring a few more things to light that just weren't there so that you can understand. Particularly in the area of antique motorcycles, which in the back of this list you see the list of motorcycles that were registered. Many of them are very antique motorcycles.

And being a motorcycle enthusiast I can tell you there are many people out there building motorcycles from scratch. They go to these flea markets and they buy a frame here, they buy a transmission here, and a wheel here. They have a motor. And when they get done building this they usually have to go the Department of Safety to have it verified that it's a legitimate vehicle. And in the old days there were no VIN numbers on motorcycles and there were no frame numbers, there were just motor numbers. So they would issue them a New Hampshire VIN number for these antique vehicles that they rebuilt. So that's part of the process.

And I think some of that happens with antique cars when people buy antique cars you see them hauling them on a trailer. They're all rusted the fenders are flapping. They take them home and they spend 2 or 3 years building them and then they take them out and they want to register them and they have to get them verified.

With this process what is happening here is they're doing it over the Internet and the vehicle is never seen by anybody. And we're just becoming a state that's issuing registrations to vehicles that have never been verified. I can tell you if I spent $20,000 rebuilding an antique motorcycle and then it disappears and it shows up in another state I'd be very disappointed. It is very difficult to get these things insured too. So these are some of the things that are concerning.

And as far as the titles are concerned you're saying you want to title everything. I think titling everything could be a burden to some of out New Hampshire citizens because title fees cost a lot of money. And every time you sell a vehicle you've got to retitle it. On these older vehicles it's much simpler just to have this process done here. And they put a tag on it that stays with the vehicle as it travels. I hope I cleared that up a little bit. I'm looking at you Senator Roberge, I don't know if I threw some more confusion on it or not. But these were the things that we discussed when we were putting this bill through.

What you see in front of you is the process that would work for everybody. If you change it then somebody else isn't satisfied. Depending on which way you change it somebody gets... The antique car people will get upset. If you change it another way the motorcycle people will get upset. This one here, the way it is written here I think it can satisfy everybody. I hope I cleared that up a little bit.

Senator Edward M. Gordon, D. 2: Any questions? Thank you Representative. Any one else who wants to testify on House Bill 1268?

Hearing closed at 4:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Jillian Nina Mason, Secretary

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Attachment A

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE FEBRUARY 6, 1990

FROM ALAN J. RINES
ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR

AT (OFFICE)
BUREAU OF TITLE AND ANTI-THEFT

SUBJECT PROPOSED REGISTRATION SERVICE

TO TITLE/REGISTRATION/ENFORCEMENT/LEGAL
(SEE DISTRIBUTION LIST BELOW)

MR. JEFF JOYAL OF WEBSTER, N.H. HAS SPOKEN TO ME IN REGARDS TO THE FEASIBILITY OF STARTING A BUSINESS SIMILAR TO THAT DESCRIBED ON THE ATTACHED PAPERWORK.

THE BASIC PREMISE OF THIS OPERATION IS TO OBTAIN A REGISTRATION DOCUMENT FOR VEHICLES THAT ARE EXEMPT IN THIS STATE AND THEN TO TRANSFER THE REGISTRATION BACK TO THE PERSON AS EVIDENCE TO TITLE THE VEHICLE IN ANOTHER STATE. THIS SERVICE IS PROVIDED FOR OLDER VEHICLES WHERE THE PARTY IN POSSESSION OF THE VEHICLE CANNOT PROVIDE PROOF OF OWNERSHIP SATISFACTORY FOR TITLING IN THEIR HOME STATE.

MR. JOYAL FREELY ADMITS THAT THE VEHICLES THEMSELVES WOULD NEVER BE IN HIS POSSESSION. IN OUR CONVERSATION, I INDICATED THAT I COULD NOT QUOTE ANY STATUTE THAT SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITED SUCH A SERVICE BUT THAT I WAS VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF FRAUD, OF STOLEN VEHICLES, AND OF THE REGISTRATION SYSTEM BEING USED BECAUSE OF ITS SIMPLICITY FOR OLDER VEHICLES JUST FOR PAPER TRANSFERS.

I ADVISED MR. JOYAL THAT WOULD HAVE ALL SECTIONS REVIEW THIS MATTER AND COMMENT ON ITS LEGALITY AND ADVISABILITY.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

D.J.

DATE January 21, 1991

FROM Dennis J. Smith
Supervisor
Title Bureau

AT (OFFICE)

SUBJECT Registration Service

TO

Doug Patch
Assistant Commissioner
Department of Service

The complaint centers around the State of New Hampshire issuing a valid Registration on a vehicle which does not enter the State. The purpose or end result is to secure the Registration Certificate which is then used to title the vehicle in a State like Nevada.

The New Hampshire Title System is not a question here but rather registering older vehicles for the explicit purpose of not operating the vehicle on New Hampshire's Highways, but to obtain the registration document for susequent titling purposes in a foreign state. Both myself and Alan Rines sat down and discussed this matter when the question was raised. We expressed our concerns about the possibility of fraud, stolen vehicles, and the registration system being abused for the purpose of establishing a registration document for out of state titling purposes.

These questions were referred to our legal intern Jeff Strelzin for research and applicablity of any New Hampshire Statutes that might prohibit such an enterprise and procedure. I even suggested that we might require a physical verification of the VIN by our own people.

However, it appears there is nothing in the statutes to prevent such a procedure which is what Jeff gave us as an opinion. Perhaps adopting a Rule to prevent an abuse of the registration system is needed.

The purpose of a Registration Certificate is two-fold: To identify a specific vehicle and its owner and the issuance of a registration certificate and registration plates which will give the legal privilege to operate on a public highway.

The current practice does not fulfill the purpose and intent.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE February 27, 1990

AT (OFFICE) Department of Safety

FROM Jeffery A. Strelzin
Legal Intern

SUBJECT Memo of 2/6/90 from Alan J. Rines Concerning Proposed Registration Service in N.H.

TO Douglas L. Patch
Assistant Commissioner

A question was submitted to Alan J. Rines concerning a proposed registration service to be operated in New Hampshire by a Mr. Jeff Joyal. This service would obtain a registration for a vehicle in New Hampshire which is exempt from the New Hampshire title requirements. The vehicle would then be "sold" back to its original out-of-state owner to facilitate titling that vehicle in its home state. Apparently the vehicle would never enter New Hampshire during this transaction. This would be a purely paper transaction.

Mr. Rines expressed his concern about this service and its possible connection with fraudulent practices and/or stolen vehicles. The question raised was whether any State laws or rules would prevent this transaction from taking place. They do not appear to do so.

The service in question soley concerns the registering of vehicles in New Hampshire. There is no titling done with regards to any of the vehicles in question. If there was some title aspect to this transaction, then the purpose of the title laws and rules to "...facilitate the identification of motor vehicles, the ascertainment of the owners and the prevention of theft or fraud in their transfer." would be violated. Dartmouth Motor Sales v. Alan Wilcox, 128 NH 526. However, this practice concerns only registrations and not titles.

The registration requirements mandate that a resident registration must "...reflect the legal address situated within the State of New Hampshire." Saf-C 501.14. There is no requirement that the vehicle be within the state, only that the registrant be within the state. A requirement for the vehicle to be within New Hampshire in order to be registered is mandated only for non-resident registrations (Saf-C 501.13).

Since the current proposed service appears to concern a resident registrant, there is no requirement that the vehicles he seeks to register be within the state at that time. The fact that he will be registering vehicles not situated in New Hampshire will be no impediment to his business under our current requirements.

To conclude, the current requirements under state law and department rules do not require a resident registrant to register a vehicle in New Hampshire only when the vehicle is actually within the state. A requirement, like that for non-resident registrants, that the registrant's vehicle be within New Hampshire would appear to be one way to prevent the proposed service from operating. Current law/rules do not accomplish this.

If you require any further information or clarification, please let me know.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

D. J.

DATE November 1, 1995

FROM Dennis J. Smith
Supervisor
Title Bureau
AT (OFFICE)

SUBJECT International Title Service - J. Jeffrey Joyal

TO Virginia C. Beecher
Director
Division of Motor Vehicles

As you know, a letter was received from the Texas Department of Transportation inquiring about a Title Servicing outfit located in Nevada which bases part of its services on New Hampshire Registration Certificates obtained by J. Jeffrey Joyal of Webster, New Hampshire on vehicles which are not driven over our roads and do not even come into this State. While this is not a State of New Hampshire Title question, Alan Rines originated the original question as Joyal had contacted him. I believe we are justified in seeking a new legal interpretation on whether to deny Mr. Joyal from paper registering vehicles in this State. The reason for my request is that in researching the background on the original position of the Division, I obtained a copy of Highway Enforcement Officer Mike Gridley's report involving stolen vehicles dated January 25, 1994, of which I was totally unaware until two weeks ago.

The history involving this outfit and Joyal goes back to 1990 when Alan Rines received an inquiry from Joyal regarding this enterprise. I remember discussing this situation with Alan, and I thought I wrote a memo but have no copy of same. Alan's memo is based upon the proposed registration service which is basically what I argued at the time. My position has not changed, but I am not sure what we can hang our hats on to deny "paper" registrations.

This whole operation is based upon obtaining registration certificates on older than ten year old vehicles and obtaining foreign states titles on the strength of the New Hampshire Registration Certificates.

I believe the purposes of Registration are to identify a vehicle and its owner in order to permit the Division to issue a certificate and plates which entitles the vehicle operator the legal privilege to operate the vehicle on public ways. I would carry this definition further by stating that the New Hampshire Registration Certificate and Plates are issued for the principal reason of operation on New Hampshire's highways and for our residents.

What has happened, and both Alan and I agreed at the time, is that older vehicles are being registered in this state for the sole purpose of obtaining the paper registration for the purpose of titling in Nevada. The vehicle never comes into the State of New Hampshire. It is a paper transaction only. Both Alan and I offered the opinion that the Division should not be participating in this business and offered at the time that the practice could simply serve as a ruse and be a funnel for titling stolen vehicles. Apparently, that has occurred according to HEO Mike Gridley's report. Other states could probably stop the theft part of it by requiring that the vehicles' Vehicle Identification Numbers be verified by one of their motor vehicle personnel, but I do not believe that is taking place.

The recent letter from Texas brought this subject matter up again, and I was unaware of Gridley's report until I went looking for Alan Rines' letter and the background on this matter which received the okay from our legal people.

I think our legal people should look at this situation again. Why should the Division be registering vehicles which never come into the State and now the officer's report verifies that this avenue is the source of stolen vehicles being introduced into the national motor vehicle systems? I think we can either adopt an emergency rule granting the Director, or her agents, authority to look at vehicles prior to the validation of any registration permits on older vehicles for the purpose of verifying the VIN and the existence of the vehicle. That would be one way of eliminating the problem. It would become too expensive and impractical for this outfit to bring these vehicles to New Hampshire.

I believe there may be justification already in the statutes under RSA 261:148 which exempts Joyal, as a Dealer, from securing registrations. RSA 262:11 might be applicable, which allows the Director's agents to verify VIN's. By not bringing the vehicles into this State, the Director and her agents are deprived of the opportunity to carry out the provisions of this statute which is in the public interest.

In closing, I did not agree with the original interpretation, and I still do not. All we are doing is providing a paper document which serves as the basis to title a non-titled vehicle in other states and which has been the subject, according to Gridley's report, of introducing stolen vehicles into the Title and Registration systems in other states. Joyal and this international title outfit are using our registrations to sell into Texas directly.

I did talk with Mr. Gary Herzik of the Texas Registry and answered his questions relative to his letter.

DJS/lcr

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE January 17, 1997

FROM Dennis J. Smith
Supervisor
Title Bureau

AT (OFFICE)

SUBJECT International Title Services - Paper Registrations

TO Virginia C. Beecher
Director
Division of Motor Vehicles

At yesterday's Staff Meeting I mentioned a problem that exists in our state which should be addressed. It involves a so called loop-hole in the registration process which allows stolen vehicles across the country to be introduced into foreign state title systems via our N.H. registration certificate on older vehicles. I point this matter out to you because I attented a Cheshire County Enforcement TRaining Session and a question was asked of the National Insurance Crime Bureau(NICB) Agent who gave a presentation as to who New Hampshire stands relative to our surrounding states as far the theft problem and she mentioned that we were easy, and cited the paper registration problem as an example.

Basically the problem stems from an interpretation the Department took relative to allowing private individuals or companies to register vehicles on the strength of paperwork, bills of sale, on vehicles which never come in to, or housed principally in this state or driven on our roads. These individuals or agents will register the alleged vehicle, send the registratio permit to the title service outfit in another state, for the purpose of titling these older vehicles.

Both Alan Rines and myself expressed our concerns 6 years ago in writing t Asst. Comm. Doug Patch, relative to stolen vehicles being introduced through this method. It just didn't make any sense to me, and still doesn't, why we are registering vehicles knowing that it is a paper transaction only, the vehicle may or may not exist.

I go back to my interpretation that the title and registration laws and systems in New Hampshire were implemented to administer, control, and identif those vehicles housed in New Hampshire and operated on our highways. That is the princip[illegible]reason why every state issues registrations and titles.

Now, even ta[illegible]g the position that the initial legal interpretation was valid at the time, which I do not agree, we have many examples of other states complaining and cases involving stolen vehicles investigated by State Police. I am enclosing a copy of Trooper Mike Gridley's report involving Jeffrey Joyal, and Trooper Kevin Steven has worked, and is working on a number of outfits and theft investigations in the Nashua.

This situation needs to be addressed, and a course of action to close this loophole be discussed. Thank you.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE March 19, 1998

OM Trooper Donald J. Rudolph AT (OFFICE) Enforcement

BJECT Title Fraud Investigation

TO Colonel John J. Barthelmes
Director State Police

ATTN: Major D. McCarthy
Commander Enforcement

I would respectfully request your authroization to allow Lynn Taylor to conduct a Registration Extract for the plates on the attached print out.

This information is sought in connection with a criminal investigation involving suspected Title Fraud. If you are in need of additional information, or have any questions, I will be available at your convenience.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Respectfully Submitted;

Donald J. Rudolph
Trooper ID 501

ADDENDUM 7

REGISTRATION LISTING

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY
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STATE OF COLORADO
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AUTO INDUSTRY DIVISION

Attachment B

2 March 2000

Dept. of Safety
Title Bureau
State of New Hampshire
10 Hazen Dr.
Concord, NH 03305

To Whom It May Concern:

This office investigates the automobile industry in this state. Approximately two weeks ago I received a phone call from a Colorado motor cycle dealer who told me a story of how a party in your state had offered a "service" of selling NH titles to anyone with $100 and a VIN. I asked him to put his story in writing which is attached. Unfortunately, he did not sign it because the motorcycle industry in our state is fairly small and this practice may involve some well known dealers.

Any help your office may provide would be greatly appreciated. Please call me at 303-205-5742.

Sincerely

Jerry S. Smith
Investigator

Attachment C

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY
STATE POLICE

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION

[ ] VIN Verification	[ ] Salvage	[ ] Abandoned	[ ] VIN Issue
[ ] Other:			

Make _____ Model Year _____ Body Style _____ Model _____

VIN # | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Comments _____

Owner _____ Frame # _____

Address _____ Chassis # _____

_____ Engine # _____

_____ Trans. # _____

I certify that the above mentioned vehicle identification number was not obtained from any registration or documents relative to this vehicle and that I have physically examined the vehicle described.

Mileage _____ SVT _____ NH _____

[ ] Salvage Fee $ _____ [ ] VIN Issuance $ _____

Examining Trooper _____ ID # _____ Date _____

DSDE 80 (Rev. 10/97) Distribution: Client (White) Title Bureau (Yellow) Enforcement (Pink) Trooper (Goldenrod)

Transportation Committee

HB 1268 Hearing Report

TO: Members of the Senate

FROM: Susan Duncan
Legislative Assistant

RE: Hearing report on **HB 1268** – ***AN ACT relative to certain motor vehicle registrations.***

HEARING DATE: April 4, 2000

Sponsor: Representative Packard, PRIME
Representative Letourneau

What the bill does: This bill requires that persons claiming the exemption from certification of title for an older motor vehicle provide proof of a previously issued certificate for that vehicle in order to register the vehicle. This legislation is a request from the Department of Safety.

Who supports the bill: Representative Packard
Representative Letourneau
Assistant Commissioner John Stephen, Dept. of Safety

Who opposes the bill: No one testified in opposition

Summary of testimony received:

- This legislation was filed at the request of the Department of Safety.
- New Hampshire's motor vehicle titles extend back only 12 years (and are moving toward 15 years).
- Currently there are companies which for a fee, will "wash" the title through the State.
- These vehicles never actually are in New Hampshire.
- Most of the vehicles involved in this scheme are old.
- Most of the vehicles are motorcycles.
- Under current statute, there is nothing which can be legally done to stop this practice.
- The State Police brought this to the attention of the Assistant Commissioner.
- Current statute allows registration of an older vehicle if you have a bill of sale.
- The New Hampshire registration is then used elsewhere in order to register the vehicle.
- These transactions are on paper only.
- Companies involved in these paper transaction schemes are making a lot of money.
- The Assistant Commissioner asked that the vehicles be checked as "prescribed by the Director" and the authority could be given to the local police officers for verification.
- By statute, New Hampshire is now phasing in titles up to 15 years. It will stop at 15 years.

Funding: See Fiscal Note attached to the bill.

Action: Senator Below made the motion of "Ought to Pass." Senator Roberge seconded the motion. The committee voted 3 to 0 in support of "OTP." Senator Below will report the bill out of committee.

sfd
[file: HB 1268 report – TRANS]

Speakers

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Date 4/4/00 Time 3:40 pm Public Hearing on HB 1268

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Committee Report

Date: April 4, 2000 Time: 3:40 PM

The Senate Committee on Transportation held its hearing in Room 104-LOB, Concord, New Hampshire.

BILL NO.: HB 1268-FN TITLE: relative to certain vehicle registrations.

Members of the Committee present: Senator Gordon
Senator Roberge
Senator Below

Those appearing in favor:

Name and Address Representing

See Attached.

Those appearing in opposition:

Name and Address Representing

See Attached.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE:

- ☒ Ought to Pass
- ☐ Ought to Pass w/ Amendment
- ☐ Inexpedient to Legislate
- ☐ Rereferred
- ☐ Interim Study
- ☐ Continued Hearing
- ☐ Postponed Hearing

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

Date:

THE COMMITTEE ON Transportation

to which was referred House Bill 1268-FN

AN ACT relative to certain vehicle registrations.

VOTE: 3-0

Having considered the same, report the same without amendment and recommend that the bill: **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Senator Clifton Below
For the Committee

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Bill Title: relative to certain vehicle registrations.

Date	Body	Description
1/5/2000	**H**	Introduced and ref to Transportation; HJ5, p93
1/5/2000	**H**	Copy to Chairman on 12/22/1999
1/5/2000	**H**	Hearing Jan 18 1:00 RM203,LOB
2/9/2000	**H**	Maj Report OTP/AM for Feb 17 (vote 17-0;CC)
2/9/2000	**H**	Prop Comm Am{3322}; HC15, p389
2/17/2000	**H**	Passed with Am; HJ18, p494-495 + 518
2/17/2000	**S**	Introduced and Ref. to Transportation; SJ 4, Pg.115
3/6/2000	**S**	Hearing April 4, Room104, LOB, 3:40 p.m.; SC15, Pg.34
4/11/2000	**S**	Committee Report Ought to Pass; 4/13/2000; SC22
4/13/2000	**S**	Ought to Pass, MA, VV; OT3rdg, MA, VV; SJ 10, Pg.292
4/20/2000	**H**	Enrolled; HJ37, p1158
4/20/2000	**S**	Enrolled; Adopted, SJ 11, Pg.319
4/27/2000	**H**	Signed by the Governor on 4/27/2000 Eff: 1/1/2001 Chap: 0090

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