39:10-19.1

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COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: No

SENATE: Yes

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: No

<u>LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE</u>: <u>Yes</u>

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SPONSOR'S STATEMENT: (Begins on page 4 of original bill) Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: <u>ASSEMBLY</u>: <u>Yes</u>

SENATE: No

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P.L. 2005, CHAPTER 351, approved January 12, 2006 Senate, No. 2710 (First Reprint)

1 **AN ACT** concerning motor vehicle sales, amending P.L.1999, c.90 and supplementing chapter 10 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

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1. (New section) As used in this act:

"Off-site sale" means the display and sale of ¹new or used 8 recreational vehicles by a recreational vehicle dealer, or used motor 9 vehicles ¹registered in New Jersey ¹ by a used motor vehicle dealer, 10 licensed under the provisions of R.S.39:10-19, at a location other than 11 12 the dealer's established place of business. An "off-site sale" includes any off-site display of vehicles at which a ¹recreational vehicle or ¹ 13 14 used motor vehicle dealer has a sales person or employee present. For the purposes of this act, "off-site sale" does not include: 15

- a. An off-site display of vehicles at which a ¹recreational vehicle or ¹ used motor vehicle dealer has no sales personnel present; or
- b. The sale of a vehicle at an auction at which only wholesale purchases are permitted.

"Sponsoring organization" means:

- a. a credit union, automobile club, or other such ¹not for profit ¹ organization or entity that makes the opportunity to attend and purchase a motor vehicle at an off-site sale available to its members; or
- b. a trade show coordinator, or other such organization, entity, or individual that makes the opportunity to attend and purchase a ¹[motor] recreational vehicle at an off-site sale available to ticketed individuals.

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2. (New section) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a ¹recreational vehicle or ¹ used motor vehicle dealer, licensed under the provisions of R.S.39:10-19, may hold an off-site sale provided he is granted a final permit to do so pursuant to section 3 of this act.

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3. (New section) a. The Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Senate STR committee amendments adopted December 5, 2005.

- Commission may issue a provisional permit ¹, subject to a fee, ¹ for an
- off-site sale to a licensed ¹recreational vehicle or ¹ used motor vehicle 2
- 3 dealer, provided:

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- 4 (1) No more than one permit for a particular location is issued ¹[to 5 the same dealer] during any calendar quarter;
- (2) A completed application and fee, in an amount determined by 6 7 the chief administrator, is received by the commission at least 15 days 8 prior to the first day of the sale;
- (3) The applicant is a ¹recreational vehicle or ¹ used motor vehicle dealer, licensed under the provisions of R.S.39:10-19, in good 10 standing;
- 12 (4) The sale is not conducted within 1,000 feet of the established 13 place of business of any motor vehicle dealer licensed under the 14 provisions of R.S.39:10-19;
 - (5) The display and sale of vehicles is conducted for no more than five consecutive days; and
 - (6) The sale is not open to the general public, but limited to members of the sponsoring organization or ¹in the case of the off-site sales of recreational vehicles, only to 1 ticketed individuals.
 - b. Following the issuance of a provisional permit for an off-site sale, and in the event that the chief administrator determines that neither the dealer, the sponsoring organization, nor the off-site sale location has an unsatisfactory history of violations of Title 39, the chief administrator shall issue a final permit for an off-site sale to the applicant, provided the dealer delivers to the commission, no later than five days prior to the sale:
 - (1) A surety bond in the amount of \$500,000; or
 - (2) A notarized copy of a certificate of self-insurance issued pursuant to section 30 of P.L.1952, c.173 (C.39:6-52).

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- 4. (New section) a. A dealer conducting an off-site sale shall maintain a booth or desk at the off-site sale ¹[premise] premises ¹ location for the duration of the sale. The final permit for the sale and the name of the ¹recreational vehicle or used ¹ motor vehicle dealer to whom the permit was issued shall be prominently displayed at the booth or desk at all times during the off-site sale.
- 37 b. Any agreements of sale, offerings, or contracts entered into 38 during the off-site sale shall include, or have attached, the following 39 information, in a clearly identifiable manner:
- 40 (1) The address and telephone number of the established place of business of the ¹recreational vehicle or ¹ used motor vehicle dealer 41 conducting the off-site sale; and 42
- (2) The ¹recreational vehicle or ¹ used motor vehicle dealer's license 43 number; and 44
- (3) A copy of the final permit issued to the ¹recreational vehicle or ¹ 45 used motor vehicle dealer authorizing him to conduct the off-site sale. 46

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- 5. Section 4 of P.L.1999, c.90 (C.2C:33-26) is amended to read as follows:
- 3 4. Sale of motor vehicle on Sunday.

4 A person who engages in the business of buying, selling or 5 exchanging motor vehicles or who opens a place of business and attempts to engage in such conduct on a Sunday commits a disorderly 6 persons offense. The first offense is punishable by a fine not to exceed 7 8 \$100.00 or imprisonment for a period of not more than 10 days or 9 both; the second offense is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500 or 10 imprisonment for a period of not more than 30 days or both; the third 11 or each subsequent offense is punishable by a fine of \$750.00 or 12 imprisonment for a period of six months or both. If the person is a 13 licensed dealer in new or used motor vehicles in this State, under the 14 provisions of chapter 10, Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, the person 15 shall also be subject to suspension or revocation of his dealer's license to engage in the business of buying, selling or exchanging in motor 16 17 vehicles in this State as provided in Title 39, chapter 10, section 10, section 20, for violation of this statute. Nothing contained in this 18 19 section shall be construed to prohibit a person from accepting a 20 deposit to secure the sale of a recreational vehicle, as defined in 21 section 1 of P.L.1999, c.284 (C.54:4-1.18), at an off-site sale 22 authorized pursuant to section 2 of P.L. , c. (C.) (now pending 23 before the Legislature as this bill), on a Sunday.

24 (cf: P.L.1999, c.90, s.4)

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6. This act shall take effect on the first day of the seventh month after enactment, but the Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle Commission may take such anticipatory acts in advance of that date as may be necessary for the timely implementation of this act.

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Allows off-site vehicle sales.

SENATE, No. 2710

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 211th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 23, 2005

Sponsored by: Senator JOSEPH V. DORIA, JR. District 31 (Hudson)

SYNOPSIS

Allows off-site vehicle sales.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1	AN ACT concerning motor vehicle sales, amending P.L.1999, c.90 and
2	supplementing chapter 10 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes.
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4	BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5	of New Jersey:
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7	1. (New section) As used in this act:
8	"Off-site sale" means the display and sale of used motor vehicles by
9	a used motor vehicle dealer, licensed under the provisions of

present. For the purposes of this act, "off-site sale" does not include:

a. An off-site display of vehicles at which a used motor vehicle

dealer has no sales personnel present; or

R.S.39:10-19, at a location other than the dealer's established place of

business. An "off-site sale" includes any off-site display of vehicles at which a used motor vehicle dealer has a sales person or employee

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- a. a credit union, automobile club, or other such organization or entity that makes the opportunity to attend and purchase a motor vehicle at an off-site sale available to its members; or
- b. a trade show coordinator, or other such organization, entity, or individual that makes the opportunity to attend and purchase a motor vehicle at an off-site sale available to ticketed individuals.

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26 2. (New section) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to
27 the contrary, a used motor vehicle dealer, licensed under the

provisions of R.S.39:10-19, may hold an off-site sale provided he is

29 granted a final permit to do so pursuant to section 3 of this act.

3. (New section) a. The Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle 32 Commission may issue a provisional permit for an off-site sale to a

- 33 licensed used motor vehicle dealer, provided:
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- 34 (1) No more than one permit for a particular location is issued to 35 the same dealer during any calendar quarter;
 - (2) A completed application and fee, in an amount determined by the chief administrator, is received by the commission at least 15 days prior to the first day of the sale;
- 39 (3) The applicant is a used motor vehicle dealer, licensed under the 40 provisions of R.S.39:10-19, in good standing;
- 41 (4) The sale is not conducted within 1,000 feet of the established 42 place of business of any motor vehicle dealer licensed under the 43 provisions of R.S.39:10-19;

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

- 1 (5) The display and sale of vehicles is conducted for no more than 2 five consecutive days; and
 - (6) The sale is not open to the general public, but limited to members of the sponsoring organization or ticketed individuals.
 - b. Following the issuance of a provisional permit for an off-site sale, and in the event that the chief administrator determines that neither the dealer, the sponsoring organization, nor the off-site sale location has an unsatisfactory history of violations of Title 39, the chief administrator shall issue a final permit for an off-site sale to the applicant, provided the dealer delivers to the commission, no later than five days prior to the sale:
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- b. Any agreements of sale, offerings, or contracts entered into during the off-site sale shall include, or have attached, the following information, in a clearly identifiable manner:
- (1) The address and telephone number of the established place of business of the used motor vehicle dealer conducting the off-site sale; and
 - (2) The used motor vehicle dealer's license number; and
- (3) A copy of the final permit issued to the used motor vehicle dealer authorizing him to conduct the off-site sale.

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A person who engages in the business of buying, selling or 35 36 exchanging motor vehicles or who opens a place of business and 37 attempts to engage in such conduct on a Sunday commits a disorderly 38 persons offense. The first offense is punishable by a fine not to exceed 39 \$100.00 or imprisonment for a period of not more than 10 days or 40 both; the second offense is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500 or imprisonment for a period of not more than 30 days or both; the third 41 42 or each subsequent offense is punishable by a fine of \$750.00 or 43 imprisonment for a period of six months or both. If the person is a 44 licensed dealer in new or used motor vehicles in this State, under the 45 provisions of chapter 10, Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, the person shall also be subject to suspension or revocation of his dealer's license 46

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- 1 to engage in the business of buying, selling or exchanging in motor
- 2 vehicles in this State as provided in Title 39, chapter 10, section 10,
- 3 section 20, for violation of this statute. Nothing contained in this
- 4 section shall be construed to prohibit a person from accepting a
- 5 deposit to secure the sale of a recreational vehicle, as defined in
- 6 <u>section 1 of P.L.1999, c.284 (C.54:4-1.18), at an off-site sale</u>
- 7 <u>authorized pursuant to section 2 of P.L.</u>, c. (C.) (now pending
- 8 <u>before the Legislature as this bill), on a Sunday.</u>
- 9 (cf: P.L.1999, c.90, s.4)

 6. This act shall take effect on the first day of the seventh month after enactment, but the Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle Commission may take such anticipatory acts in advance of that date as may be necessary for the timely implementation of this act.

STATEMENT

The bill would provide for the issuance of permits authorizing used motor vehicle dealers to conduct off-site sales. An off-site sale is defined as "the display and sale of used motor vehicles by a used motor vehicle dealer...at a location other than the dealer's established place of business," and includes any off-site display of vehicles at which a used motor vehicle dealer has a sales person or employee present. The Motor Vehicle Commission has consistently ruled that these types of events are not permitted under current law, which requires motor vehicle dealers to have an established place of business.

The bill would require the Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle Commission to issue a provisional permit for an off-site sale to a licensed used motor vehicle dealer who meets certain requirements. The bill would restrict the number of permits for a particular location to one per dealer during any calendar quarter and specifies that off-site sales may not be conducted within 1,000 feet of any licensed motor vehicle dealer. In addition, the event would be limited to five consecutive days and restricted to members of the sponsoring organization or ticketed individuals.

A final permit for an off-site sales would be issued to dealers provided neither the dealer, the sponsoring organization, nor the off-site sale location has an unsatisfactory history of violations of Title 39, and the dealer provides a surety bond or notarized copy of a certificate of self-insurance.

The bill would require dealers conducting off-site sales to maintain a booth or desk at the off-site sale premise location for the duration of the sale at which the permit is displayed. In addition, any agreements of sale, offerings, or contracts entered into during the off-site sale would have to include, or have attached, the following information:

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- 1 C The address and telephone number of the established place of
- 2 business of the dealer;
- 3 C The dealer's license number; and
- 4 C A copy of the final permit for the off-site sale.
- 5 Finally, the bill would clarify that the statutory prohibition against
- 6 the buying, selling, or exchanging of motor vehicles on a Sunday does
- 7 not extend to the acceptance of a deposit to secure the sale of a mobile
- 8 home or recreational vehicle at an off-site sale on a Sunday.

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2710

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 5, 2005

The Senate Transportation Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 2710.

This amended bill would provide for the issuance of permits authorizing used motor vehicle dealers or new or used recreational vehicle dealers to conduct off-site sales. An off-site sale is defined as "the display and sale of new or used recreational vehicles by a recreational vehicle dealer or used motor vehicles registered in New Jersey by a used motor vehicle dealer...at a location other than the dealer's established place of business," and includes any off-site display of vehicles at which a recreational vehicle or used motor vehicle dealer has a sales person or employee present. The Motor Vehicle Commission has consistently ruled that these types of events are not permitted under current law, which requires motor vehicle dealers to have an established place of business.

The bill authorizes the Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle Commission to issue a provisional permit, subject to a fee, for an off-site sale to a licensed recreational vehicle or used motor vehicle dealer who meets certain requirements. The bill would restrict the number of permits for a particular location to one during any calendar quarter and specifies that off-site sales may not be conducted within 1,000 feet of any licensed motor vehicle dealer's established place of business. In addition, the event would be limited to five consecutive days and restricted to members of the sponsoring organization or, in the case of off-site sales of recreational vehicles, only to ticketed individuals.

A final permit for an off-site sale would be issued to a dealer provided neither the dealer, the sponsoring organization, nor the off-site sale location has an unsatisfactory history of violations of Title 39, and the dealer provides a surety bond or notarized copy of a certificate of self-insurance.

The bill would require dealers conducting off-site sales to maintain a booth or desk at the off-site sale premises location for the duration of the sale at which the permit is displayed. In addition, any agreements of sale, offerings, or contracts entered into during the offsite sale would have to include, or have attached, the following

information:

- C The address and telephone number of the established place of business of the dealer;
- C The dealer's license number; and
- C A copy of the final permit for the off-site sale.

Finally, the bill would clarify that the statutory prohibition against the buying, selling, or exchanging of motor vehicles on a Sunday does not extend to the acceptance of a deposit to secure the sale of a recreational vehicle at an off-site sale on a Sunday.

The committee amended the bill to include the display and sale of new or used recreational vehicles by a recreational vehicle dealer under its provisions and provide that a provisional permit issued pursuant to this bill would be subject to a fee.

In addition, the committee amended the bill to provide that the used motor vehicles which are the subject of the bill must be registered in the State of New Jersey and that, in the case of the off-site sales of recreational vehicles, such sales shall be restricted to ticketed individuals only.

FISCAL NOTE

[First Reprint]

SENATE, No. 2710 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 211th LEGISLATURE

DATED: FEBRUARY 21, 2006

SUMMARY

Synopsis: Allows off-site vehicle sales.

Type of Impact: Onging expenditure increase, with some revenue offset.

Agencies Affected: Motor Vehicle Commission.

Executive Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3</u>
State Cost	\$133,849	\$98,849	\$98,849
State Revenue	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000

- ! The Office of Legislative Services **concurs** with the Executive estimate.
- ! The Executive estimate of revenue assumes a permit fee of \$100; this fee can be set at any amount by the Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC).
- ! For the MVC to break even at the participation rate assumed by the Administration, the permit fee would need to be \$669 the first year, and \$494 in following years.

BILL DESCRIPTION

Senate Bill No. 2710 (1R) of 2005 proposes to provide for the issuance of permits authorizing used motor vehicle dealers or new or used recreational vehicle dealers to conduct off-site sales. An off-site sale is defined as "the display and sale of new or used recreational vehicles by a recreational vehicle dealer or used motor vehicles registered in New Jersey by a used motor vehicle dealer . . . at a location other than the dealer's established place of business," and includes any off-site display of vehicles at which a recreational vehicle or used motor vehicle dealer has a sales person or employee present. The MVC has consistently ruled that these types of events are not permitted under current law, which requires motor vehicle dealers to have an established place of business.

The bill would authorize the MVC to issue a provisional permit, subject to a fee, for an offsite sale to a licensed recreational vehicle or used motor vehicle dealer who meets certain



requirements. The bill would restrict the number of permits for a particular location to one during any calendar quarter and specify that off-site sales may not be conducted within 1,000 feet of any licensed motor vehicle dealer's established place of business. In addition, the event would be limited to five consecutive days and restricted to members of the sponsoring organization or, in the case of off-site sales of recreational vehicles, only to ticketed individuals.

A final permit for an off-site sale would be issued to a dealer provided neither the dealer, the sponsoring organization, nor the off-site sale location has an unsatisfactory history of violations of Title 39, and the dealer provides a surety bond or notarized copy of a certificate of self-insurance.

The bill would require dealers conducting off-site sales to maintain a booth or desk at the off-site sale premises location for the duration of the sale at which the permit is displayed. In addition, any agreements of sale, offerings, or contracts entered into during the off-site sale would have to include, or have attached, the following information:

- C The address and telephone number of the established place of business of the dealer;
- C The dealer's license number; and
- C A copy of the final permit for the off-site sale.

The used motor vehicles which are the subject of the bill must be registered in the State of New Jersey and that, in the case of the off-site sales of recreational vehicles, such sales shall be restricted to ticketed individuals only. The bill provides that a provisional permit issued pursuant to this bill would be subject to a fee.

Finally, the bill would clarify that the statutory prohibition against the buying, selling, or exchanging of motor vehicles on a Sunday does not extend to the acceptance of a deposit to secure the sale of a recreational vehicle at an off-site sale on a Sunday.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

The Administration reports that this legislation would require the Commission to create and administer a separate permit process for off-site sales. This would require the development of an application, and the posting of such an application on the MVC web site. The Commission would also need to have printed copies of the application available to be provided, upon request, to business representatives seeking them at the 45 agencies and four regional service centers.

Upon receipt of a completed application, the Business License Services Unit would need to review them for completeness, including a verification of the appropriate attachments which may be required such as insurance proofs. Staff would need to also be available to answer any questions that may arise about the permit approval process. This would require the creation of support materials for the Telephone Contact Center and the Customer Advocacy Office.

To ensure that applicants are not violating the 1,000 feet rule, the Commission would need to purchase a geo-mapping software that would be linked to the Business License Compliance licensing system. In cases in which an issue arises regarding the 1,000 feet rule, staff may require the applicant to have a survey performed. The resulting survey would then need to be evaluated as well. System programming would be required to create new screens and data fields for the new permit that is envisioned by this legislation.

Costs

System upgrade and programming costs are based upon Office of Information Technology estimates. Applications can be developed internally at no actual cost through minor revisions to existing PC based applications. A field monitoring component has been included incorporating both initial site inspection and identified operating costs.

Site inspection at every permit site and geo-mapping survey for every applicant is necessary to monitor the specific site requirements as stated in the legislation. Since permitting off-site vehicle sales is a relatively new procedure for the MVC, a more aggressive monitoring component where the investigators actually monitor the transaction process and sale location is needed. There is no historical data or similar inspections to use as a comparison, therefore the following assumptions of inspection and monitoring times below were used.

Total first year annual operating costs	\$133,849
Geo-mapping software	\$ 5,000
OIT system programming costs	\$ 30,000
Workstation/electrical work for office computer use	\$ 850
Fuel @ \$90.00 per month	\$ 1,080
Vehicle maintenance @ \$180.00 per month	\$ 2,160
1 Vehicle for Investigator	\$ 13,000
1 portable printer for Investigator	\$ 300
Standard software package @ \$200.00	\$ 200
1 Laptop with port replicator for Investigator	\$ 2,600
Office supplies 6 percent of salaries	\$ 4,452
Total personnel costs	\$ 74,207
Fringe benefit rate 32.84 percent	\$ 18,345
30,075/26 pay periods = $1,157/70$ hrs = $16.52/hr$	\$ 6,608
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Clerical processing hours 400 @ 16.52 per hour	
1 Investigator II P22 @ step 4	\$ 49,254
Breakdown Annual Operating Costs:	
200 permits annually times 2 hours	400 hours
Application processing costs:	
= 91 percent of annual workload =	1 investigator
Inspection monitoring hours 1,650/1,820	
Site inspection monitoring costs: 200 sales annually x 8.25 hours	1,650 work hours
Total site inspection monitor hours travel time	8.25 hours
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Revenue

The Commission projects approximately 200 permits would be issued annually, based upon the number of customer inquiries regarding the availability of off-site sales. The Administration assumes that the MVC would establish a fee of \$100 per permit. Using this assumption, revenues would be \$20,000 annually. This legislation allows MVC to charge a fee, in an amount determined by the Chief Administrator, to cover administrative costs. The assumed fee would not cover the initial start-up costs or continued employee monitoring costs.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

The Office of Legislative Services concurs with the Executive estimate. The MVC information cites "first-year annual operating costs"; however, it is implied in the fiscal note that the Office of Information Technology system programming costs and the Geo-mapping software would actually be one-time costs of \$35,000. We have interpreted this to mean that second and third year costs would be reduced by that amount. The Administration assumes a permit fee of \$100, but the MVC would be free to establish any amount for the permits. For the MVC to break even at the participation rate assumed by the Administration, the permit fee would need to be \$669 the first year, and \$494 in following years.

Section: Authorities, Utilities, Transportation and Communications

Analyst: Mark J. Trease

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Approved: David J. Rosen

Legislative Budget and Finance Officer

This fiscal note has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67.

ASSEMBLY, No. 4196

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 211th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 13, 2005

Sponsored by: Assemblyman UPENDRA J. CHIVUKULA District 17 (Middlesex and Somerset)

SYNOPSIS

Allows off-site vehicle sales.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1	AN ACT concerning motor vehicle sales, amending P.L.1999, c.90 and
2	supplementing chapter 10 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes.
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4	BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
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7	1. (New section) As used in this act:
8	"Off-site sale" means the display and sale of used motor vehicles by
9	a used motor vehicle dealer, licensed under the provisions of
10	R.S.39:10-19, at a location other than the dealer's established place of
11	business. An "off-site sale" includes any off-site display of vehicles at
12	which a used motor vehicle dealer has a sales person or employee
13	present. For the purposes of this act, "off-site sale" does not include:
14	a. An off-site display of vehicles at which a used motor vehicle
15	dealer has no sales personnel present; or
16	b. The sale of a vehicle at an auction at which only wholesale
17	purchases are permitted.
18	"Sponsoring organization" means:
19	a. a credit union, automobile club, or other such organization or
20	entity that makes the opportunity to attend and purchase a motor
21	vehicle at an off-site sale available to its members; or
22	b. a trade show coordinator, or other such organization, entity, or
23	individual that makes the opportunity to attend and purchase a motor
24	vehicle at an off-site sale available to ticketed individuals.
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26	2. (New section) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
27	contrary, a used motor vehicle dealer, licensed under the provisions of
28	R.S.39:10-19, may hold an off-site sale provided he is granted a final
29	permit to do so pursuant to section 3 of this act.
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31	3. (New section) a. The Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle
32	Commission may issue a provisional permit for an off-site sale to a
33	licensed used motor vehicle dealer, provided:
34	(1) No more than one permit for a particular location is issued to
35	the same dealer during any calendar quarter;
36	(2) A completed application and fee, in an amount determined by
37	the chief administrator, is received by the commission at least 15 days
38	prior to the first day of the sale;
39	(3) The applicant is a used motor vehicle dealer, licensed under the
40	provisions of R.S.39:10-19, in good standing;

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> EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

(4) The sale is not conducted within 1,000 feet of the established

place of business of any motor vehicle dealer licensed under the

provisions of R.S.39:10-19;

- 1 (5) The display and sale of vehicles is conducted for no more than 2 five consecutive days; and
 - (6) The sale is not open to the general public, but limited to members of the sponsoring organization or ticketed individuals.
- b. Following the issuance of a provisional permit for an off-site 5 6 sale, and in the event that the chief administrator determines that 7 neither the dealer, the sponsoring organization, nor the off-site sale 8 location has an unsatisfactory history of violations of Title 39, the 9 chief administrator shall issue a final permit for an off-site sale to the applicant, provided the dealer delivers to the commission, no later than 10 11 five days prior to the sale:
 - (1) A surety bond in the amount of \$500,000; or
 - (2) A notarized copy of a certificate of self-insurance issued pursuant to section 30 of P.L.1952, c.173 (C.39:6-52).

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- 4. (New section) a. A dealer conducting an off-site sale shall maintain a booth or desk at the off-site sale premise location for the duration of the sale. The final permit for the sale and the name of the motor vehicle dealer to whom the permit was issued shall be prominently displayed at the booth or desk at all times during the off-
- b. Any agreements of sale, offerings, or contracts entered into during the off-site sale shall include, or have attached, the following information, in a clearly identifiable manner:
- (1) The address and telephone number of the established place of business of the used motor vehicle dealer conducting the off-site sale; and
 - (2) The used motor vehicle dealer's license number; and
- (3) A copy of the final permit issued to the used motor vehicle dealer authorizing him to conduct the off-site sale.

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- 5. Section 4 of P.L.1999, c.90 (C.2C:33-26) is amended to read as follows:
- 34 4. Sale of motor vehicle on Sunday.

A person who engages in the business of buying, selling or exchanging motor vehicles or who opens a place of business and attempts to engage in such conduct on a Sunday commits a disorderly persons offense. The first offense is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$100.00 or imprisonment for a period of not more than 10 days or both; the second offense is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500 or imprisonment for a period of not more than 30 days or both; the third 42 or each subsequent offense is punishable by a fine of \$750.00 or 43 imprisonment for a period of six months or both. If the person is a 44 licensed dealer in new or used motor vehicles in this State, under the 45 provisions of chapter 10, Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, the person shall also be subject to suspension or revocation of his dealer's license 46

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- 1 to engage in the business of buying, selling or exchanging in motor
- 2 vehicles in this State as provided in Title 39, chapter 10, section 10,
- 3 section 20, for violation of this statute. Nothing contained in this
- 4 section shall be construed to prohibit a person from accepting a
- 5 deposit to secure the sale of a recreational vehicle, as defined in
- 6 <u>section 1 of P.L.1999, c.284 (C.54:4-1.18), at an off-site sale</u>
- 7 <u>authorized pursuant to section 2 of P.L.</u>, c. (C.) (now pending
- 8 <u>before the Legislature as this bill), on a Sunday.</u>
- 9 (cf: P.L.1999, c.90, s.4)

 6. This act shall take effect on the first day of the seventh month after enactment, but the Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle Commission may take such anticipatory acts in advance of that date as may be necessary for the timely implementation of this act.

STATEMENT

The bill would provide for the issuance of permits authorizing used motor vehicle dealers to conduct off-site sales. An off-site sale is defined as "the display and sale of used motor vehicles by a used motor vehicle dealer...at a location other than the dealer's established place of business," and includes any off-site display of vehicles at which a used motor vehicle dealer has a sales person or employee present. The Motor Vehicle Commission has consistently ruled that these types of events are not permitted under current law, which requires motor vehicle dealers to have an established place of business.

The bill would require the Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle Commission to issue a provisional permit for an off-site sale to a licensed used motor vehicle dealer who meets certain requirements. The bill would restrict the number of permits for a particular location to one per dealer during any calendar quarter and specifies that off-site sales may not be conducted within 1,000 feet of any licensed motor vehicle dealer. In addition, the event would be limited to five consecutive days and restricted to members of the sponsoring organization or ticketed individuals.

A final permit for an off-site sales would be issued to dealers provided neither the dealer, the sponsoring organization, nor the off-site sale location has an unsatisfactory history of violations of Title 39, and the dealer provides a surety bond or notarized copy of a certificate of self-insurance.

The bill would require dealers conducting off-site sales to maintain a booth or desk at the off-site sale premise location for the duration of the sale at which the permit is displayed. In addition, any agreements of sale, offerings, or contracts entered into during the off-site sale would have to include, or have attached, the following information:

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- 1 C The address and telephone number of the established place of
- 2 business of the dealer;
- 3 C The dealer's license number; and
- 4 C A copy of the final permit for the off-site sale.
- 5 Finally, the bill would clarify that the statutory prohibition against
- 6 the buying, selling, or exchanging of motor vehicles on a Sunday does
- 7 not extend to the acceptance of a deposit to secure the sale of a mobile
- 8 home or recreational vehicle at an off-site sale on a Sunday.

ASSEMBLY CONSUMER AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 4196

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 8, 2005

The Assembly Consumer Affairs Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 4196.

This amended bill would provide for the issuance of permits authorizing used motor vehicle dealers or new or used recreational vehicle dealers to conduct off-site sales. An off-site sale is defined as "the display and sale of new or used recreational vehicles by a recreational vehicle dealer or used motor vehicles registered in New Jersey by a used motor vehicle dealer...at a location other than the dealer's established place of business," and includes any off-site display of vehicles at which a recreational vehicle or used motor vehicle dealer has a sales person or employee present. The Motor Vehicle Commission has consistently ruled that these types of events are not permitted under current law, which requires motor vehicle dealers to have an established place of business.

The bill authorizes the Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle Commission to issue a provisional permit, subject to a fee, for an off-site sale to a licensed recreational vehicle or used motor vehicle dealer who meets certain requirements. The bill would restrict the number of permits for a particular location to one during any calendar quarter and specifies that off-site sales may not be conducted within 1,000 feet of any licensed motor vehicle dealer's established place of business. In addition, the event would be limited to five consecutive days and restricted to members of the sponsoring organization or, in the case of off-site sales of recreational vehicles, only to ticketed individuals.

A final permit for an off-site sale would be issued to a dealer provided neither the dealer, the sponsoring organization, nor the off-site sale location has an unsatisfactory history of violations of Title 39, and the dealer provides a surety bond or notarized copy of a certificate of self-insurance.

The bill would require dealers conducting off-site sales to maintain a booth or desk at the off-site sale premises location for the duration of the sale at which the permit is displayed. In addition, any agreements of sale, offerings, or contracts entered into during the offsite sale would have to include, or have attached, the following information:

- C The address and telephone number of the established place of business of the dealer;
- C The dealer's license number; and
- C A copy of the final permit for the off-site sale.

Finally, the bill would clarify that the statutory prohibition against the buying, selling, or exchanging of motor vehicles on a Sunday does not extend to the acceptance of a deposit to secure the sale of a recreational vehicle at an off-site sale on a Sunday.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

At the sponsor's request, the committee amended the bill to include the display and sale of new or used recreational vehicles by a recreational vehicle dealer under its provisions and provide that a provisional permit issued pursuant to this bill would be subject to a fee.

In addition, the committee amended the bill to provide that the used motor vehicles which are the subject of the bill must be registered in the State of New Jersey and that, in the case of the off-site sales of recreational vehicles, such sales shall be restricted to ticketed individuals only.

These amendments make this bill identical to the Senate Bill No. 2710 [1R].

FISCAL NOTE

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 4196 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 211th LEGISLATURE

DATED: FEBRUARY 14, 2006

SUMMARY

Synopsis: Allows off-site vehicle sales.

Type of Impact: Ongoing expenditure increase, with some revenue offset.

Agencies Affected: Motor Vehicle Commission.

Executive Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	Year 3
State Cost	\$133,849	\$98,849	\$98,849
State Revenue	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000

- ! The Office of Legislative Services **concurs** with the Executive estimate.
- ! The Executive estimate of revenue assumes a permit fee of \$100; this fee can be set at any amount by the Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC).
- ! For the MVC to break even at the participation rate assumed by the Administration, the permit fee would need to be \$669 the first year, and \$494 in following years.

BILL DESCRIPTION

Assembly Bill No. 4196 (1R) of 2005 proposes to provide for the issuance of permits authorizing used motor vehicle dealers or new or used recreational vehicle dealers to conduct off-site sales. An off-site sale is defined as "the display and sale of new or used recreational vehicles by a recreational vehicle dealer or used motor vehicles registered in New Jersey by a used motor vehicle dealer . . . at a location other than the dealer's established place of business," and includes any off-site display of vehicles at which a recreational vehicle or used motor vehicle dealer has a sales person or employee present. The MVC has consistently ruled that these types of events are not permitted under current law, which requires motor vehicle dealers to have an established place of business.

The bill would authorize the MVC to issue a provisional permit, subject to a fee, for an offsite sale to a licensed recreational vehicle or used motor vehicle dealer who meets certain



requirements. The bill would restrict the number of permits for a particular location to one during any calendar quarter and specify that off-site sales may not be conducted within 1,000 feet of any licensed motor vehicle dealer's established place of business. In addition, the event would be limited to five consecutive days and restricted to members of the sponsoring organization or, in the case of off-site sales of recreational vehicles, only to ticketed individuals.

A final permit for an off-site sale would be issued to a dealer provided neither the dealer, the sponsoring organization, nor the off-site sale location has an unsatisfactory history of violations of Title 39, and the dealer provides a surety bond or notarized copy of a certificate of self-insurance.

The bill would require dealers conducting off-site sales to maintain a booth or desk at the off-site sale premises location for the duration of the sale at which the permit is displayed. In addition, any agreements of sale, offerings, or contracts entered into during the off-site sale would have to include, or have attached, the following information:

- C The address and telephone number of the established place of business of the dealer;
- C The dealer's license number; and
- C A copy of the final permit for the off-site sale.

The used motor vehicles which are the subject of the bill must be registered in the State of New Jersey and that, in the case of the off-site sales of recreational vehicles, such sales shall be restricted to ticketed individuals only. The bill provides that a provisional permit issued pursuant to this bill would be subject to a fee.

Finally, the bill would clarify that the statutory prohibition against the buying, selling, or exchanging of motor vehicles on a Sunday does not extend to the acceptance of a deposit to secure the sale of a recreational vehicle at an off-site sale on a Sunday.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

The Administration reports that this legislation would require the Commission to create and administer a separate permit process for off-site sales. This would require the development of an application, and the posting of such an application on the MVC web site. The Commission would also need to have printed copies of the application available to be provided, upon request, to business representatives seeking them at the 45 agencies and four regional service centers.

Upon receipt of a completed application, the Business License Services Unit would need to review them for completeness, including a verification of the appropriate attachments which may be required such as insurance proofs. Staff would need to also be available to answer any questions that may arise about the permit approval process. This would require the creation of support materials for the Telephone Contact Center and the Customer Advocacy Office.

To ensure that applicants are not violating the 1,000 feet rule, the Commission would need to purchase a geo-mapping software that would be linked to the Business License Compliance licensing system. In cases in which an issue arises regarding the 1,000 feet rule, staff may require the applicant to have a survey performed. The resulting survey would then need to be evaluated as well. System programming would be required to create new screens and data fields for the new permit that is envisioned by this legislation.

Costs

System upgrade and programming costs are based upon Office of Information Technology estimates. Applications can be developed internally at no actual cost through minor revisions to existing PC based applications. A field monitoring component has been included incorporating both initial site inspection and identified operating costs.

Site inspection at every permit site and geo-mapping survey for every applicant is necessary to monitor the specific site requirements as stated in the legislation. Since permitting off-site vehicle sales is a relatively new procedure for the MVC, a more aggressive monitoring component where the investigators actually monitor the transaction process and sale location is needed. There is no historical data or similar inspections to use as a comparison, therefore the following assumptions of inspection and monitoring times below were used.

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Geo-mapping software	\$ 5,000
OIT system programming costs	\$ 30,000
Workstation/electrical work for office computer use	\$ 850
Fuel @ \$90.00 per month	\$ 1,080
Vehicle maintenance @ \$180.00 per month	\$ 2,160
1 Vehicle for Investigator	\$ 13,000
1 portable printer for Investigator	\$ 300
Standard software package @ \$200.00	\$ 200
1 Laptop with port replicator for Investigator	\$ 2,600
Office supplies 6 percent of salaries	\$ 4,452
Total personnel costs	\$ 74,207
Fringe benefit rate 32.84 percent	\$ 18,345
\$30,075/26 pay periods = \$1,157/70 hrs = \$16.52/hr	\$ 6,608
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Clerical processing hours 400 @ 16.52 per hour	
1 Investigator II P22 @ step 4	\$ 49,254
Breakdown Annual Operating Costs:	
200 permits annually times 2 hours	400 hours
Application processing costs:	
= 91 percent of annual workload =	1 investigator
Inspection monitoring hours 1,650/1,820	
Site inspection monitoring costs: 200 sales annually x 8.25 hours	1,650 work hours
Total site inspection monitor hours travel time	8.25 hours

Revenue

The Commission projects approximately 200 permits would be issued annually, based upon the number of customer inquiries regarding the availability of off-site sales. The Administration assumes that the MVC would establish a fee of \$100 per permit. Using this assumption, revenues would be \$20,000 annually. This legislation allows MVC to charge a fee, in an amount determined by the Chief Administrator, to cover administrative costs. The assumed fee would not cover the initial start-up costs or continued employee monitoring costs.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

The Office of Legislative Services concurs with the Executive estimate. The MVC information cites "first-year annual operating costs"; however, it is implied in the fiscal note that the Office of Information Technology system programming costs and the Geo-mapping software would actually be one-time costs of \$35,000. We have interpreted this to mean that second and third year costs would be reduced by that amount. The Administration assumes a permit fee of \$100, but the MVC would be free to establish any amount for the permits. For the MVC to break even at the participation rate assumed by the Administration, the permit fee would need to be \$669 the first year, and \$494 in following years.

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