

SB

498

COMMITTEE REPORT SENATE

2/22/80

FURTHER: None

Date: 5/1/80

Mr. President:

The Committee on JUDICIARY has had SB 498
amending the motor vehicle code

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee)
reports it back with the following recommendations: *in original recommendations*

- do pass do not pass
- do pass with attached amendments(s)
- replace with CS for SB 498 same title
 new title
- and recommends CS SB 498 Be repealed out of follows.
- AND attaches a "Letter of Intent" New Fiscal Note
- reports it back without recommendation
- referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

Joe Ray No Rec

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

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CHAIRMAN

SENATE BILL 498
AMENDING THE MOTOR VEHICLE CODE AND
CSSB 498

The original bill contained only sections 1 and 4 of the Committee Substitute. The Committee Substitute added two sections and changed Section one slightly.

- Section 1. Under the section setting out the grounds for refusing registration, the bill changes the language so that if an applicant fails to comply with any regulations adopted under the chapter, rather than just the section, he can be refused registration.
- Section 2. This section adds a new paragraph which will allow the Department to refuse registration to a person who owns a vehicle which violates a statute or regulation relating to color of the vehicle, emblems, or lights which a vehicle may display. Both this section and section 1, are written to eliminate persons or companies from driving school busses with the "chrome yellow" coloring. People become used to seeing yellow busses and do not stop for them. If only busses which transport children are yellow, motorists will recognize them for what they are and use caution.
- Section 3. As presently written, there is no time limitations for accumulating points (good ones), thus driving records must be maintained indefinitely. This proposition is costly, plus records are available for dissemination long past their usefulness by the Division of Motor Vehicles, criminal justice agencies, or insurance companies.
- As presently written, the intent of the point system could be nullified in some instances, again, mainly due to no time limitations. A person could easily accumulate 40 credit points or more by the age of 75, become an extremely bad driver, and the point accumulation would not identify him as a problem driver.
- Section 4. This section would exempt school busses from the dates vehicles are required to remove studded tires or chains on state roads. In most cases we are talking about approximately two (2) weeks on either side of the school year when school busses will have studded tires and the public will not use them. It saves the buss companies from having to purchase a totally new set of tires. Also, although low areas may be snow free, some hilly areas of the state have snow earlier and the snow stays later.