CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.6, following is a concise explanatory statement:

AGENCY: Department of Revenue

DIVISION: Division of Motor Vehicles

RULE IDENTIFIER: 280-RICR-30-05-2

RULE TITLE: Rules and Regulations for School Bus Driver Certification

REASON FOR RULEMAKING: The Division of Motor Vehicles is codifying this regulation for inclusion in the RICR. This regulation is being amended to eliminate the requirement that persons 70 years of age and older successfully complete a road test every 6 months.

TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS: The DMV received comments expressing concerns with the automatic and presumptive disqualifications for obtaining a school bus certificate due to past criminal offenses. The DMV will conduct a thorough review of other states' eligibility standards for similar certifications as well as eligibility standards for other Rhode Island licenses and certifications that involve interaction with children to determine if revisions to the school bus certificate eligibility standards are warranted.