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### **Sec. 14-275d-1. Exemption procedures**

(a) Any carrier, as defined in subsection (2) of section 14-212 of the Connecticut General Statutes, or its authorized representative, may petition the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to grant an exception to any provision of the minimum requirements for Type I or Type II school bus construction or equipment, as set forth in sections 14-275a-1 to 14-275b-149, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. Such petition shall be in writing on a form prescribed by the commissioner. No such exception will be granted unless the commissioner is satisfied that:

(1) there is no resulting conflict or inconsistency with the federal motor vehicle safety standards, or any other provision of federal law, and

(2) there is no foreseeable, significant safety risk associated with the exception, and with any proposed alternative method of construction or item of equipment.

(b) If the commissioner grants an exception in response to any petition received under subsection (a) of this section, such exception shall be in writing, and a copy shall be retained and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Commercial Vehicle Safety Division of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

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