

TITLE 4: ECONOMIC RESOURCES
DIVISION 5: BUSINESS REGULATION

§ 51420. Tour company vehicles registration with the Department of Commerce.

(a) All tour companies doing business within the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands are hereby required to register each vehicle belonging to the tour company with the Department of Commerce and be issued a permit number by the Department of Commerce. Furthermore, the tour companies shall have proper signage written in English on each vehicle with the permit number provided by the Department of Commerce. The Department of Commerce shall charge reasonable fees for each vehicle registered belonging to the tour agency.

(b) The Secretary of Commerce shall promulgate rules and regulations consistent with this section.

Source: PL 19-28, § 2 (101)–(102) (Dec. 18, 2015), modified.

Commission Comment: In addition to severability and savings clauses PL 19-28 (Dec. 18, 2015) contained the following title and findings section:

Section 1. Findings and Purpose. The Commonwealth Legislature finds that many tour companies have multiple vehicles providing services for each respective company. The Legislature finds that the tour companies are maximizing their profits by only registering the minimal number of vehicles under the name of the company but utilizing more vehicles for the services they provide their customers. Additionally, the Legislature finds that some of the vehicles with proper signage do not have them written in English. The Legislature finds that it is important that each vehicle belonging to tour companies be registered and issued a permit by the Department of Commerce so that they will be accounted for within the Commonwealth, most especially those that provide services for profit.

The Commission numbered this section pursuant to [1 CMC § 3806\(a\)](#). The Article title was created by the Commission. The Commission arranged the two sections proposed as 101 and 102 in PL 19-28 (Dec. 18, 2015) into a single section pursuant to [1 CMC § 3806\(b\)](#). The Commission substituted the term “section” for “Act” in subsection (b) pursuant to [1 CMC § 3806\(d\)](#).