

# Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2000<sup>2</sup>

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*An Act further to amend the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988*

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Fifty-first Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

**Prefatory Notes.—Statement of Objects and Reasons.**—The Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 consolidated and nationalised various laws regulating road transport. The said Act was amended in 1994.

2. Further amendment in the aforesaid Act have become necessary so as to reduce the vehicular pollution and to ensure the safety of the road uses. It is, therefore, proposed to prohibit alteration of vehicles in any manner including change of tyres of higher capacity. However, the alteration of vehicles with a view to facilitating the use of eco-friendly fuel including Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) is being permitted. Further, it is proposed to confer powers on the Central Government to allow the alteration of vehicles for certain specified purposes.

3. At present, the educational institutions are not required to obtain permits for the operation of buses owned by them. It is proposed to bring the buses run by these institutions within the purview of the aforesaid Act by requiring them to obtain permits.

4. It is also proposed to allow renewal of permits, driving licences and registration certificates granted under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939 to be renewed under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, by inserting new Section 217-A.

5. The proposed amendments are essential in the overall interest of securing road safety and maintaining a clean environment.

6. The Bill seeks to achieve the above objectives.

**1. Short title.**—This Act may be called the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2000.

**2 to 5**—Inserted in the Act at appropriate places.