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ASSEMBLY BILL 223 First Reprint

Assembly Bill 223 (Assemblyman Atkinson, et. al.): heard 5-8; Work Session 5-15

The measure requires vehicle dealers who advertise that Spanish is spoken at the business or who conducts business by communicating in Spanish with a purchaser or prospective purchaser, have all sale forms used on a regular basis translated into Spanish. In addition, each such place of business must conspicuously post a legible sign written in Spanish advising purchasers and prospective purchasers of their right to view all agreements or contracts in Spanish. Finally, the measure requires the regulations adopted by the Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles to be consistent with these requirements.

Two amendments are proposed for the measure, they are as follows:

- 1. Require the Commissioner of Financial Institutions, not the individual dealerships, to translate the applicable sales forms.
- 2. Remove the requirement that a sign be posted notifying buyers of their right to view certain documents in Spanish.

Additionally, Senator Carlton, in agreement with the sponsor, has asked that the bill list her as a joint sponsor.