State of Arkansas 1 As Engrossed: S3/26/99 H3/31/99 H4/7/99 A Bill 2 82nd General Assembly Act 1572 of 1999 3 Regular Session, 1999 SENATE BILL 887 4 5 By: Senator Fitch 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 27-14-2303, REGARDING 9 SALVAGE TITLES; TO CLARIFY THE APPLICABILITY OF THE 10 SALVAGE TITLE LAW; TO PROVIDE A REMEDY FOR AGGRIEVED 11 12 PURCHASERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 13 Subtitle 14 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 27-14-15 16 2303. REGARDING SALVAGE TITLES: TO CLARIFY THE APPLICABILITY OF THE SALVAGE 17 18 TITLE LAW; TO PROVIDE A REMEDY FOR AGGRI EVED PURCHASERS. " 19 20 21 22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 23 24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 27-14-2303 is amended to read as follows: "27-14-2303. Disclosure requirements. 25 (a)(1) When any dealer in this state offers for sale a motor vehicle 26 which carries a title branded pursuant to this subchapter, the dealer shall 27 28 disclose to any prospective buyer or purchaser, prior to sale, the nature of 29 the title brand and shall furnish him a description of the damage sustained by the motor vehicle on file with the Office of Motor Vehicle. 30 31 (2) The disclosure shall be on a buyer's notification form to be prescribed by the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney 32 33 General. (3)(A) The form shall be fully filled out and affixed to a side 34 35 window of the motor vehicle with the title "Buyer's Notification" facing to the outside. 36

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- 1 (B) The form may be removed temporarily from the window 2 during any test drive, but it shall be replaced as soon as the test drive is 3 over.
 - (b)(1) When any motor vehicle owner who is not a dealer knowingly offers for sale or trade a motor vehicle which carries a title branded pursuant to this subchapter, such owner shall disclose to any prospective buyer or purchaser, prior to sale or trade, the nature of the title brand and shall furnish him a description of the damage sustained by the motor vehicle as on file with the Office of Motor Vehicle.
 - (2) The disclosure shall be on a buyer's notification form to be prescribed by the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General.
 - (c)(1) The forms to be prescribed by the Consumer Protection Division shall have an acknowledgment section that the seller shall require the buyer to sign prior to completing a sales transaction on a motor vehicle that carries a branded title.
 - (2) The seller shall retain a copy of the signed notification form.
 - (d)(1) Failure of the seller to procure the buyer's acknowledgment signature shall render the sale voidable at the election of the buyer.
 - (2) The election to render the sale voidable shall be limited to thirty (30) sixty (60) days after the sales transaction.
 - (3) The buyer's right to render voidable the purchase is in addition to any other right or remedy which may be available to the buyer. In the event the seller makes full refund of the purchase price to the buyer within ten (10) days after receipt of the buyer's election to void the sales transaction, the seller shall be subject to no further liability in connection with the sales transaction."

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 27-14-2305 is amended to read as follows: "27-14-2305. Applicability of subchapter.

The provisions of this subchapter shall not apply to motor vehicles more than five (5) model years old. Any title which is branded pursuant to this subchapter shall retain the brand on the title for the life of the vehicle."

SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature

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SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

12 /s/ **Fitc**

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