ARKANSAS SENATE

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 2342

"AN ACT PERTAINING TO THE REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN VEHICLES."

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 2342.

Amend House Bill No. 2342 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 32 through 36

AND

Page 2, delete line 1 and substitute the following:

"(2) The verification shall be conducted by a certified law enforcement officer of any city or county in Arkansas, or by the Arkansas State Police or a designee of the Arkansas State Police.

(3) (A) If the vehicle is taken to a city or county law enforcement agency facility, or to an Arkansas State Police facility for inspection, the inspection shall be conducted at no charge.

(B) Any vehicle that is required to be inspected at a location other than a city or county law enforcement facility, or an Arkansas State Police facility, shall be inspected by the Arkansas State Police or its designee, for a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) that shall be dedicated to cover or defray the cost of the verification process.

(4) The Department of Arkansas State Police shall adopt reasonable rules to ensure that the verification process is available at convenient times and locations."

AND

Page 2, line 13, insert the following:

"SECTION 2. <u>EMERGENCY CLAUSE.</u> It is found and determined by the <u>General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that automobile thieves throughout</u> <u>the United States are registering stolen vehicles in Arkansas and obtaining</u> <u>certificates of title to these vehicles; that requiring verification of a</u> <u>vehicle identification number for foreign vehicles by an authorized law</u> <u>enforcement agency in Arkansas will reduce the sale of stolen vehicles and</u> <u>the rate of insurance fraud; and that this act accomplishes those goals</u> <u>without interfering with the registration process for bona fide new residents</u>



of Arkansas. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."