Department of Finance and Administration

Legislative Impact Statement

Bill: SB771 Bill Subtitle: TO ESTABLISH AN EXPEDITED MOTOR VEHICLE TITLE PROCESSING SERVICE AND TO AUTHORIZE THE IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL FEE; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN TITLE FEES.

Basic Change :

Sponsor: Sen. Sample

This bill creates a mechanism whereby an application for motor vehicle title service can be processed on an expedited basis and establishes a fee for such service. The bill establishes a fee of \$20 for providing this expedited service that is in addition to the current \$10 title fee charged by state law for all title applications. The proceeds from this \$20 fee are to be deposited to the Commercial Driver's License Fund for use by the Revenue Division to provide system enhancements. The bill also eliminates an unnecessary reference to a specific title fee in the Arkansas Code to prevent confusion if that title fee is ever changed.

Revenue Impact :

Unknown increase of service fees for the Commercial Driver's License Fund.

Taxpayer Impact :

Title applicants may choose to pay the twenty dollar (\$20.00) expedited service fee in an effort to have their title application reviewed faster.

Resources Required :

Computer Programming will be necessary to code new fees. This programming is estimated to cost \$4,500.00.

Time Required :

Adequate time has been allowed.

Procedural Changes :

Revise the Motor Vehicle Procedures Manual and distribute to Revenue Offices.

Other Comments :

None.

Legal Analysis :

SB771 establishes an expedited title processing service for motor vehicles. For an additional fee of \$20, taxpayers may request an expedited title at the central Arkansas revenue office. The additional revenues generated from the additional fees will be credited to the Commercial Driver License Fund to be used for system enhancements.