State of Arkansas
82nd General Assembly

## A Bill

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HOUSE BILL 1435

By: Representative Bledsoe

## For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO PROVI DE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF DECALS OR TABS FOR ATTACHMENT TO MOTOR VEHI CLE LI CENSE PLATES TO I DENTI FY THE COUNTY OF RESI DENCE OF THE VEHI CLE OWNER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. "

## Subtitle

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BE I T ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTI ON 1. It is the purpose and intent of this act to promote better I aw enf or cement by providing for the issuance of decals or tabs to be applied to the license plates of mor vehicles registered in this state to identify the county of resi dence of the owners of each mot or vehicle.

SECTI ON 2. The Di rect or of the Department of Fi nance and Admi ni stration shal l by admi ni strative regul ati on assign an identification number to each county in the state and shall cause decals or tabs to be prepared for issuance to mot or vehi cle owners as provided for in this act.

SECTI ON 3. Effective lanuary 1, 2000, when any owner of a mot or vehicle required to be registered in this state and which is licensed under the Permanent Aut ombile Li censi ng Act of 1967, as amended (Arkansas Code 27-14-1001-27-14-1021), applies for registration or renewal of registration of the
vehicle, the Di rect or of the Department of Finance and Administration or his authorized agent shall, in case of an original registration, or in case of a registrati on renewal if the owner has changed his or her county of residence, issue to the owner a decal or tab one-hal $f(1 / 2)$ inch in hei ght and one and one-hal f (112) inches in length cont ai ning the number assigned to i dentify the county of resi dence of the owner. The owner shall affix the decal in the lower left corner of the license pl ate and shall maintain and di spl ay the same at all times. Provided, if the decal is accidentally destroyed or damaged or if the owner moves his or her place of residence to another county during the registration period, he or she shall not be required to obtai $n$ another county number decal until the renewal of registration of the vehicle for which the li cense pl ate and decal are issued or renewed.

SECTI ON 4. Any person who fails or refuses to obtai $n$ and affix a county identification decal or $t a b$ as requi red herein shall be guilty of a vi ol ation and upon conviction shall be puni shed by a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).

SECTI ON 5. All provisions of this act of a gener al and permanent nat ure are amendat ory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revi si on Comi ssi on shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTI ON 6. If any provisi on of this act or the application ther eof to any person or circumstance is hel i nvalid, such invalidity shall not affect ot her provisions or appl ications of the act which can be gi ven effect without the i nvalid provisi on or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are decl ared to be severable.

SECTI ON 7. All I aws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repeal ed.

