

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 979

5 By: Senator Wooldridge
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TIME PERIOD FOR PURCHASERS
10 OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO APPLY FOR VEHICLE
11 REGISTRATION AND ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF
12 TITLE TO FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO EXTEND THE TIME PERIOD FOR PURCHASERS
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17 REGISTRATION AND ISSUSANCE OF
18 CERTIFICATES OF TITLE TO FORTY-FIVE (45)
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-14-903(a), concerning the registration
26 of a motor vehicle, is amended to read as follows:

27 (a)(1) The transferee of any new or used vehicle required by law to be
28 registered shall apply for, or cause to be applied for, the registration
29 thereof within ~~thirty (30)~~ forty-five (45) days after the date of the release
30 of lien by a prior lienholder, as provided in § 27-14-909, or ~~thirty (30)~~
31 forty-five (45) days after the date of the transfer if no lien exists.

32 (2) No vehicle shall be operated upon a public street or highway
33 for more than ~~thirty (30)~~ forty-five (45) days after the release of lien by a
34 prior lienholder, as provided in § 27-14-909, or ~~thirty (30)~~ forty-five (45)
35 days after the transfer date if no lien exists, unless a valid registration
36 plate is properly attached thereto.



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SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-14-907(a), concerning the transfer of the title to the motor vehicle, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) Whenever the title or interest of an owner in or to a registered vehicle shall pass to another by a method other than voluntary transfer, the registration of the vehicle shall expire, and the vehicle shall not be operated upon public streets or highways for more than ~~thirty (30)~~ forty-five (45) days after the transfer date unless a valid registration plate is attached thereto.

(2) In the event title has become vested in the person holding a lien or encumbrance upon the vehicle, the person may apply to the office for, and obtain, special plates as may be issued under this chapter to dealers and may operate any repossessed vehicle under such special plates only for purposes of transporting it to a garage or warehouse or for purposes of demonstrating or selling it.

/s/ Wooldridge