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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 596

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE PERMANENT AUTOMOBILE LICENSING  
9 ACT OF 1967; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

12 TO AMEND THE PERMANENT AUTOMOBILE  
13 LICENSING ACT OF 1967.

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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 14, Subchapter 10, is  
20 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

21 27-14-1022. Annual renewal of registration – Exception.

22 (a) An owner of a motor vehicle shall:

23 (1) Annually renew a motor vehicle's registration as required  
24 under § 27-14-1011; and

25 (2) Pay the annual motor vehicle registration fee as required  
26 under § 27-14-601 regardless of whether the owner of a motor vehicle operates  
27 the motor vehicle upon the public streets, roads, or highways of this state,  
28 unless the motor vehicle owner:

29 (A) Provides a written statement that notifies the  
30 Director of the Department of Finance and Administration that he or she shall  
31 not operate the motor vehicle during the registration period of the motor  
32 vehicle;

33 (B) Surrenders the license plate previously issued for the  
34 motor vehicle to the director; and

35 (C) Surrenders the current registration certificate issued  
36 for the motor vehicle, if any, to the director.



1       (b) A motor vehicle owner who is not required to pay the annual motor  
2 vehicle registration fee under subdivision (a)(2) of this section may:

3               (1) Apply for a new motor vehicle registration certificate as  
4 required under §§ 27-14-602 and 27-14-705; and

5               (2) Upon receipt of the new motor vehicle registration  
6 certificate, operate the motor vehicle on public streets, roads, and highways  
7 of this state.

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9               SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY.

10       The Department of Finance and Administration shall provide an amnesty  
11 period so that the owner of a motor vehicle who has not renewed the motor  
12 vehicle's registration and has not operated the motor vehicle on a public  
13 street, road, or highway may comply with § 24-14-1022(a)(2) without the  
14 assessment of a registration fee for the years when the owner did not renew  
15 the motor vehicle's registration between the effective date of this bill and  
16 before January 1, 2020.