

Department of Finance and Administration

Legislative Impact Statement

Bill: SB934

Bill Subtitle: TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING RECREATIONAL VEHICLES.

Basic Change :

Senator D. Wyatt

Currently, dealers in new non-motorized (trailer) recreational vehicles are licensed with the same dealer license plate as any other trailer dealer (boat trailer, utility trailer, semi-trailer, etc.) upon the dealer submitting the required form. There is no requirement to first be licensed by the Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission (AMVC). The bill requires new trailer recreational vehicle dealers, including fold down camper dealers, to be licensed by the AMVC. Therefore, the Office of Motor Vehicle would be required to see the AMVC license in order to issue a dealer license plate to these dealers. Trailer dealer tags would be issued to these trailer dealers to distinguish them from other trailer dealers.

Revenue Impact :

None

Taxpayer Impact :

Dealers in new recreational trailer vehicles, as defined in the bill, would be required to be licensed by the Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission.

Resources Required :

A small supply of dealer license plates will need to be acquired and maintained. Programming will be required to identify and track the new plate.

Time Required :

Adequate time is provided.

Procedural Changes :

Program the motor vehicle system for issuance of the new plate.

Other Comments :

None

Legal Analysis :

SB934 amends Arkansas law to create the "Recreational Vehicle and Franchise Act" to provide regulation of the recreational vehicle industry, including manufacturers, distributors, dealers, salespersons, and others in the industry by the Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission through licensing and penalties. In accordance with those changes, certain sections of the current Motor Vehicle Commission Act are amended, generally to provide consistency with the new Recreational Vehicle Act. The amendments do not conflict with provisions of the law concerning DFA's administration of motor vehicle registration and licensing.