

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1150

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW TO EXTEND THE TIME PERIOD AUTHORIZED FOR THE REGISTRATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING TEMPORARY PREPRINTED PAPER BUYER'S TAGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW TO EXTEND THE TIME PERIOD AUTHORIZED FOR THE REGISTRATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING TEMPORARY PREPRINTED PAPER BUYER'S TAGS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-14-723(a), concerning the time requirements for an individual to register motor vehicles for new residents in the state, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Within ~~thirty (30)~~ sixty (60) calendar days of becoming a resident, a person who is a resident of this state shall obtain an Arkansas motor vehicle registration and license in order to operate a motor vehicle upon the streets and highways of this state.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-14-723(c)(2)(A), concerning the time requirements for a business entity to register motor vehicles upon starting business in the state, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A)~~(i)~~ An entity that transacts or conducts business in



Arkansas and has a place of business in Arkansas shall register a motor vehicle considered a pleasure vehicle under § 27-14-601(a)(1) that the entity owns and uses in its business operations in the state with the Office of Motor Vehicle within ~~thirty (30)~~ sixty (60) calendar days from the start of business in the state.

~~(ii) If an entity began transacting or conducting business in the state before July 31, 2009, the entity shall have thirty (30) calendar days to comply with this subsection.~~

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 27-14-903(a), concerning the registration of a motor vehicle, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) The transferee of ~~any~~ a new or used vehicle required by law to be registered shall apply for, ~~or cause to be applied for,~~ the registration ~~thereof~~ of the vehicle within ~~thirty (30)~~ sixty (60) days after the date of the release of lien by a prior lienholder, as provided in § 27-14-909, or ~~thirty (30)~~ sixty (60) days after the date of the transfer if no lien exists.

(2) ~~No~~ A vehicle shall not be operated upon a public street or highway for more than ~~thirty (30)~~ sixty (60) days after the release of lien by a prior lienholder, as provided in § 27-14-909, or ~~thirty (30)~~ sixty (60) days after the transfer date if no lien exists, unless a valid registration plate is properly attached ~~thereto~~ to the vehicle.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 27-14-907(a)(1), concerning the transfer of title of a 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~~ passes to another person 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)~~ sixty (60) days after the transfer date unless a valid registration plate is attached ~~thereto~~ to the vehicle.

SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 27-14-1705(b)(1), concerning temporary preprinted paper buyer's tags, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) The temporary preprinted paper buyer's tag is valid for the operation of the vehicle until the earlier of:

(A) The date on which the vehicle is registered; or

(B) The ~~thirtieth~~ sixtieth calendar day after the date of purchase.

/s/Cavanaugh