House Amendments to Senate Bill No. 2850

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE HOUSE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- 8 **SECTION 1.** Section 63-21-15, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 9 amended as follows:
- 10 63-21-15. (1) The application for the certificate of title
- 11 of a vehicle, manufactured home or mobile home in this state shall
- 12 be made by the owner to a designated agent, on the form the
- 13 Department of Revenue prescribes, and shall contain or be
- 14 accompanied by the following, if applicable:
- 15 (a) The name, driver's license number, if the owner has
- 16 been issued a driver's license, current residence and mailing
- 17 address of the owner;
- 18 (b) (i) If a vehicle, a description of the vehicle,
- 19 including the following data: year, make, model, vehicle
- 20 identification number, type of body, the number of cylinders,
- 21 odometer reading at the time of application, and whether new or
- 22 used; and
- (ii) If a manufactured home or mobile home, a
- 24 description of the manufactured home or mobile home, including the

- 25 following data: year, make, model number, serial number and
- 26 whether new or used;
- (c) The date of purchase by applicant, the name and
- 28 address of the person from whom the vehicle, manufactured home or
- 29 mobile home was acquired, and the names and addresses of any
- 30 lienholders in the order of their priority and the dates of their
- 31 security agreements;
- 32 (d) In connection with the transfer of ownership of a
- 33 manufactured home or mobile home sold by a sheriff's bill of sale,
- 34 a copy of the sheriff's bill of sale;
- 35 (e) (i) An odometer disclosure statement made by the
- 36 transferor of a motor vehicle. The statement shall read:
- 37 "Federal and state law requires that you state the mileage in
- 38 connection with the transfer of ownership. Failure to complete or
- 39 providing a false statement may result in fine and/or
- 40 imprisonment.
- I state that the odometer now reads (no tenths)
- 42 miles and to the best of my knowledge that it reflects the actual
- 43 mileage of the vehicle described herein, unless one (1) of the
- 44 following statements is checked:
- 45 (1) I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge
- 46 the odometer reading reflects the amount of mileage in excess of
- 47 its mechanical limits.
- 48 (2) I hereby certify that the odometer reading is not
- 49 the actual mileage. WARNING-ODOMETER DISCREPANCY!"

- 50 (ii) In connection with the transfer of ownership
- of a motor vehicle, each transferor shall disclose the mileage to
- 52 the transferee in writing on the title or on the document being
- 53 used to reassign the title, which form shall be prescribed and
- 54 furnished by the Department of Revenue. This written disclosure
- 55 must be signed by the transferor and transferee, including the
- 56 printed name of both parties.
- Notwithstanding the requirements above, the following
- 58 exemptions as to odometer disclosure shall be in effect:
- 1. A vehicle having a gross vehicle weight
- 60 rating of more than sixteen thousand (16,000) pounds.
- 2. A vehicle that is not self-propelled.
- 3. A vehicle that is twenty (20) years old or
- 63 older.
- 4. A vehicle sold directly by the
- 65 manufacturer to any agency of the United States in conformity with
- 66 contractual specifications.
- 5. A transferor of a new vehicle prior to its
- 68 first transfer for purposes other than resale need not disclose
- 69 the vehicle's odometer mileage.
- 70 (iii) Any person who knowingly gives a false
- 71 statement concerning the odometer reading on an odometer
- 72 disclosure statement shall be quilty of a misdemeanor and, upon
- 73 conviction, shall be subject to a fine of up to One Thousand
- 74 Dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisonment of up to one (1) year, or
- 75 both, at the discretion of the court. These penalties shall be

76 cumulative, supplemental and in addition to the penalties provided 77 by any other law; and 78 For previously used manufactured homes and mobile 79 homes that previously have not been titled in this state or any 80 other state, a disclosure statement shall be made by the owner of 81 the manufactured home or mobile home applying for the certificate 82 of title. That statement shall read: 83 "I state that the previously used manufactured home or mobile 84 home owned by me for which I am applying for a certificate of title, to the best of my knowledge: 85 86 (1) Has never been declared a total loss due to 87 flood damage, fire damage, wind damage or other damage; or (2) Has previously been declared a total loss due 88 89 to: 90 (a) Collision; 91 (b) Flood; ____ (c) 92 Fire; ____ (d) 93 Wind; 94 Other (please describe): (e) 95 96 (2) The application shall be accompanied by such evidence as 97 the Department of Revenue reasonably requires to identify the vehicle, manufactured home or mobile home and to enable the 98 Department of Revenue to determine whether the owner is entitled 99 to a certificate of title and the existence or nonexistence of 100

security interests in the vehicle, manufactured home or mobile

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- 102 home and whether the applicant is liable for a use tax as provided by Sections 27-67-1 through 27-67-33. 103
- 104 If the application is for a vehicle, manufactured home 105 or mobile home purchased from a dealer, it shall contain the name and address of any lienholder holding a security interest created 106 107 or reserved at the time of the sale and the date of his security 108 agreement and it shall be signed by the dealer as well as the 109 The designated agent shall promptly mail or deliver the 110 application to the Department of Revenue.
- If the application is for a new vehicle, manufactured 111 home or mobile home, it shall contain the certified manufacturer's 112 113 statement of origin showing proper assignments to the applicant 114 and a copy of each security interest document.
- 115 Each application shall contain or be accompanied by the certificate of a designated agent that the vehicle, manufactured 116 117 home or mobile home has been physically inspected by him and that 118 the vehicle identification number and descriptive data shown on the application, pursuant to the requirements of subsection (1)(b) 119 120 of this section, are correct, and also that he has identified the 121 person signing the application and witnessed the signature. 122 the application is to receive a branded title for a vehicle for 123 which a salvage certificate of title has been issued, the 124 application shall be accompanied by a sworn affidavit that the 125 vehicle complies with the requirements of this section, Section 63-21-39 and the regulations promulgated by the Department of 126 127 Revenue under Section 63-21-39.

- 128 (a) If the application is for a first certificate of 129 title on a vehicle, manufactured home or mobile home other than a new vehicle, manufactured home or mobile home, then the 130 application shall conform with the requirements of this section 131 except that in lieu of the manufacturer's statement of origin, the 132 133 application shall be accompanied by a copy of the bill of sale of 134 said motor vehicle, manufactured home or mobile home whereby the applicant claims title or in lieu thereof, in the case of a motor 135 136 vehicle, certified copies of the last two (2) years' tag and tax 137 receipts or in lieu thereof, in any case, such other information 138 the Department of Revenue may reasonably require to identify the 139 vehicle, manufactured home or mobile home and to enable the 140 Department of Revenue to determine ownership of the vehicle, manufactured home or mobile home and the existence or nonexistence 141 of security interest in it. If the application is for a vehicle, 142 143 manufactured home or mobile home last previously registered in 144 another state or country, the application shall also be accompanied by the certificate of title issued by the other state 145 146 or country, if any, properly assigned.
- 147 (b) A person may apply for a certificate of title to a

 148 vehicle lacking proper documentation if the vehicle is at least

 149 thirty (30) years old and the person submits a certificate of

 150 ownership signed under penalty of perjury on a form prescribed by

 151 the Department of Revenue.
- 152 (7) If the application is for a vehicle the owner does not
 153 intend to drive, the owner need not purchase a license tag in

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- 154 order to receive a certificate of title, so long as the
- 155 application contains an affidavit attesting to the owner's intent
- 156 that the vehicle not be operated on the highways of this state
- 157 until and unless the owner applies for a license tag.
- 158 (8) Every designated agent within this state shall, no later
- 159 than the next business day after they are received by him, forward
- 160 to the Department of Revenue by mail, postage prepaid, the
- 161 originals of all applications received by him, together with such
- 162 evidence of title as may have been delivered to him by the
- 163 applicants.
- 164 (9) An application for certificate of title and information
- 165 to be placed on an application for certificate of title may be
- 166 transferred electronically as provided in Section 63-21-16.
- 167 (10) The Department of Revenue shall issue a certificate of
- 168 title or any other document applied for under this chapter to the
- 169 designated agent, owner or lienholder of the motor vehicle or of
- 170 the manufactured home or mobile home, as appropriate, not more
- 171 than thirty (30) days after the application and required fee
- 172 prescribed under Section 63-21-63 or Section 63-21-64 are received
- 173 unless the applicant requests expedited processing under
- 174 subsection (11) of this section.
- 175 (11) (a) The Department of Revenue shall establish an
- 176 expedited processing procedure for the receipt of applications and
- 177 the issuance of certificates of title and any other documents
- 178 issued under this chapter, except a replacement certificate of
- 179 title as provided under Section 63-21-27(2), for motor vehicles

and for manufactured homes or mobile homes. Any designated agent, lienholder or owner requesting the issuance of any such document, at his or her option, shall receive such expedited processing upon payment of a fee in the amount of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00). Such fee shall be in addition to the fees applicable to the issuance of any such documents under Section 63-21-63 and Section 63-21-64.

(b) When expedited title processing is requested, the applicable fees are paid and all documents and information necessary for the Department of Revenue to issue the certificate of title or other documents applied for are received by the department, then the department shall complete processing of the application and issue the title or document applied for within seventy-two (72) hours of the time of receipt, excluding weekends and holidays.

194 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 195 and after July 1, 2021, and shall stand repealed on June 30, 2021.

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-21-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ALLOW APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE TO A VEHICLE LACKING PROPER DOCUMENTATION IF THE VEHICLE IS AT LEAST 30 YEARS OLD AND THE APPLICANT SUBMITS A CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP SIGNED UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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