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    ENGROSSED SENATE
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    BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
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                                       68 O.S. 2021, Section 2105, is
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        SECTION 1.
                       AMENDATORY
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    amended to read as follows:
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        Section 2105. An original or a transfer certificate of title or
    a foreign export certificate of title, as provided for in Section
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    1105 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall be issued without
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    the payment of the excise tax levied by Section 2101 et seq. of this
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    title for:
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        1. Any vehicle owned by a nonresident person who operates
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    principally in some other state but who is in Oklahoma only
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    occasionally;
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        2. Any vehicle brought into this state by a person formerly
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    living in another state, who has owned and registered the vehicle in
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    such other state of residence at least sixty (60) days prior to the
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    time it is required to be registered in this state; provided,
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- however, this paragraph shall not apply to businesses engaged in renting cars without a driver;
- 3. Any vehicle registered by the State of Oklahoma, by any of 3 the political subdivisions thereof, or by a fire department 4 5 organized pursuant to Section 592 of Title 18 of the Oklahoma Statutes to be used for the purposes of the fire department, or a 6 vehicle which is the subject of a lease or lease-purchase agreement 7 executed between the person seeking an original or transfer 9 certificate of title for the vehicle and a municipality, county, school district, or fire protection district. The person seeking an 10 original or transfer certificate of title shall provide adequate 11 12 proof that the vehicle is subject to a lease or lease-purchase 13 agreement with a municipality, county, school district, or fire protection district at the time the excise tax levied would 14 otherwise be payable. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall have the 15 authority to determine what constitutes adequate proof as required 16 17 by this section;
 - 4. Any vehicle, the legal ownership of which is obtained by the applicant for a certificate of title by inheritance;
 - 5. Any used motor vehicle, travel trailer, or commercial trailer which is owned and being offered for sale by a person licensed as a dealer to sell the same, under the provisions of the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act:

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- a. if such vehicle, travel trailer, or commercial trailer has been registered in Oklahoma and the excise tax paid thereon, or
 - b. when such vehicle, travel trailer, or commercial trailer has been registered in some other state but is not the latest manufactured model.

Provided, the provisions of this paragraph shall not be construed as allowing an exemption to any person not licensed as a dealer of used motor vehicles, travel trailers, or commercial trailers, or as an automotive dismantler and parts recycler in this state;

- 6. Any vehicle which was purchased by a person licensed to sell new or used motor vehicles in another state:
 - a. if such vehicle is not purchased for operation or resale in this state, and
 - b. the state from which the dealer is licensed offers reciprocal privileges to a dealer licensed in this state, pursuant to a reciprocal agreement between the duly authorized agent of the Tax Commission and the licensing state;
- 7. Any vehicle, the ownership of which was obtained by the lienholder or mortgagee under or by foreclosure of a lien or mortgage in the manner provided by law or to the insurer under

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subrogated rights arising by reason of loss under an insurance contract;

- 8. Any vehicle which is taxed on an ad valorem basis;
- 9. Any vehicle or motor vehicle, the legal ownership of which is obtained by transfers:
 - a. from one corporation to another corporation pursuant to a reorganization. As used in this subsection the term "reorganization" means:
 - (1) a statutory merger or consolidation, or
 - (2) the acquisition by a corporation of substantially all of the properties of another corporation when the consideration is solely all or a part of the voting stock of the acquiring corporation, or of its parent or subsidiary corporation,
 - b. in connection with the winding up, dissolution, or liquidation of a corporation only when there is a distribution in kind to the shareholders of the property of such corporation,
 - c. to a corporation where the former owners of the vehicle or motor vehicle transferred are, immediately after the transfer, in control of the corporation, and the stock or securities received by each is substantially in proportion to the interest in the vehicle or motor vehicle prior to the transfer,

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- d. to a partnership if the former owners of the vehicle
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 the transfer, members of such partnership and the
 interest in the partnership received by each is
 substantially in proportion to the interest in the
 vehicle or motor vehicle prior to the transfer,
 - e. from a partnership to the members thereof when made in the dissolution of such partnership,
 - f. to a limited liability company if the former owners of the vehicle or motor vehicle transferred are, immediately after the transfer, members of the limited liability company and the interest in the limited liability company received by each is substantially in proportion to the interest in the vehicle or motor vehicle prior to the transfer, or
 - g. from a limited liability company to the members thereof when made in the dissolution of such partnership;
 - 10. Any vehicle which is purchased by a person to be used by a business engaged in renting motor vehicles without a driver, provided:
 - a. the vehicle shall not be rented to the same person for a period exceeding ninety (90) days,

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- b. any such vehicle exempted from the excise tax by these provisions shall not be placed under any type of lease agreement,
- on any such vehicle exempted from the excise tax by C. this subsection that is reregistered in this state, without a prior sale or transfer to the persons specified in divisions (1) and (2) of this subparagraph, at any time prior to the expiration of twelve (12) months from the date of issuance of the original title, the seller shall pay immediately the amount of excise tax which would have been due had this exemption not been granted plus a penalty of twenty percent (20%). No such excise tax or penalty shall become due and payable if the vehicle is sold or transferred in a condition either physical or mechanical which would render it eligible for a salvage title pursuant to law or if the vehicle is sold and transferred in this state at any time prior to the expiration of twelve (12) months:
 - (1) to the manufacturer of the vehicle or its controlled financing arm, or
 - (2) to a factory authorized franchised new motor vehicle dealer which holds a franchise of the same line-make of the vehicle being purchased, or

- d. when this exemption is claimed, the Tax Commission
 shall issue a special title which shall restrict the
 transfer of the title only within this state prior to
 the expiration of twelve (12) months unless:
 - (1) payment of the excise tax plus penalty as provided in this section is made,
 - (2) the sale is made to a person specified in division (1) or (2) of subparagraph c of this paragraph, or
 - (3) the vehicle is eligible for a salvage title. For all other tax purposes vehicles herein exempted shall be treated as though the excise tax has been paid;
 - 11. Any vehicle of the latest manufactured model, registered from a title in the name of the original manufacturer or assigned to the original manufacturer and issued by any state and transferred to a licensed, franchised Oklahoma motor vehicle dealer, as defined by Section 1102 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes, which holds a franchise of the same line-make as the vehicle being registered;
 - 12. Any new motor vehicle, registered in the name of a manufacturer or dealer of new motor vehicles, for which a license plate has been issued pursuant to Section 1116.1 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes, if such vehicle is authorized by the manufacturer or dealer for personal use by an individual. The authorization for such use shall not exceed four (4) months which shall not be renewed

- or the exemption provided by this subsection shall not be
 applicable. The exemption provided by this subsection shall not be
 applicable to a transfer of ownership or registration subsequent to
 the first registration of the vehicle by a manufacturer or dealer;
 - 13. Any vehicle, travel trailer, or commercial trailer of the latest manufacturer model purchased by a franchised Oklahoma dealer licensed to sell the same which holds a franchise of the same linemake as the vehicle, travel trailer, or commercial trailer being registered;
 - 14. Any vehicle which is the subject of a lease or leasepurchase agreement and which the ownership of such vehicle is being
 obtained by the lessee, if the vehicle excise tax was paid at the
 time of the initial lease or lease-purchase agreement;
 - 15. Any vehicle which:

- a. is purchased by a private, nonprofit organization which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and which is primarily funded by a fraternal or civic service organization with at least one hundred local chapters or clubs, and
- b. is designed and used to provide mobile health screening services to the general public at no cost to the recipient, and for which no reimbursement of any

kind is received from any health insurance provider,
health maintenance organization, or governmental
program;

- Any vehicle which is purchased by an individual who has been honorably discharged from active service in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States or Oklahoma National Guard and who has been certified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, its successor, or the Armed Forces of the United States to be a disabled veteran in receipt of compensation at the one-hundredpercent rate for a permanent disability sustained through military action or accident resulting from disease contracted while in such active service and registered with the veterans registry created by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs; provided, that if the veteran has previously received exemption pursuant to this paragraph, no registration with the veterans registry shall be This exemption may not be claimed by an individual for required. more than one vehicle in a consecutive three-year period, unless the vehicle is a replacement for a vehicle which was destroyed and declared by the insurer to be a total loss claim. Commission shall promulgate any rules necessary to implement the provisions of this section; or
- 17. Any vehicle on which ownership is transferred by a repossessor directly back to the owner or owners from whom the vehicle was repossessed; provided, ownership shall be assigned by

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- the repossessor within thirty (30) days of issuance of the repossession title and shall be identical to that reflected in the vehicle title record immediately prior to the repossession; or
 - 18. Any vehicle approved by the Oklahoma Tax Commission for the issuance of a foreign export certificate of title, as provided in Section 1105 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
 - SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2021, Section 1105, as last amended by Section 110, Chapter 282, O.S.L. 2022 (47 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 1105), is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 1105. A. As used in the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act:
 - 1. "Salvage vehicle" means any vehicle which is within the last ten (10) model years and which has been damaged by collision or other occurrence to the extent that the cost of repairing the vehicle for safe operation on the highway exceeds sixty percent (60%) of its fair market value, as defined by Section 1111 of this title, immediately prior to the damage. For purposes of this section, actual repair costs shall only include labor and parts for actual damage to the suspension, motor, transmission, frame or unibody and designated structural components;
 - 2. "Rebuilt vehicle" means any salvage vehicle which has been rebuilt and inspected for the purpose of registration and title;
 - 3. "Flood-damaged vehicle" means a salvage or rebuilt vehicle which was damaged by flooding or a vehicle which was submerged at a

- level to or above the dashboard of the vehicle and on which an amount of loss was paid by the insurer;
 - 4. "Unrecovered-theft vehicle" means a vehicle which has been stolen and not yet recovered;
 - 5. "Recovered-theft vehicle" means a vehicle, including a salvage or rebuilt vehicle, which was recovered from a theft; and
 - 6. "Junked vehicle" means any vehicle which is incapable of operation or use on the highway, has no resale value except as a source of parts or scrap and has an eighty percent (80%) loss in fair market value; and
 - 7. "Foreign export vehicle" means any motor vehicle purchased by an individual or entity doing business in this state if the vehicle is contracted to be shipped to a destination outside of the United States or its territories or its tribal lands, as defined in 25 U.S.C., Section 3001(15), within one hundred twenty (120) days of purchase.
- B. The owner of every vehicle in this state shall possess a certificate of title as proof of ownership of such vehicle, except those vehicles registered pursuant to Section 1120 of this title and trailers registered pursuant to Section 1133 of this title, previously titled by anyone in another state and engaged in interstate commerce, and except as provided in subsection M of this section. Except for owners that possess an agricultural exemption permit pursuant to Section 1358.1 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma

Statutes, the owner of an all-terrain vehicle or a motorcycle used exclusively off roads or highways in this state which is purchased or the ownership of which is transferred on or after July 1, 2005, and the owner of a utility vehicle used exclusively off roads and highways in this state which is purchased or the ownership of which is transferred on or after July 1, 2008, shall possess a certificate of title as proof of ownership. Any person possessing an agricultural exemption permit and owning an all-terrain vehicle or a motorcycle used exclusively off roads or highways in this state which is purchased or the ownership of which is transferred on or after July 1, 2008, shall possess a certificate of title as proof of ownership. Upon receipt of proper application information by such owner, Service Oklahoma shall issue an original or transfer certificate of title. Until July 1, 2008, any security interest in an all-terrain vehicle that attached and was perfected before July 1, 2005, and that has not otherwise terminated shall remain perfected, and shall take priority over any subsequently perfected security interest in the same all-terrain vehicle, notwithstanding that a certificate of title may have been issued with respect to the same all-terrain vehicle on or after July 1, 2005, and that a lien may have been recorded on said the certificate of title. shall be eight nine types of certificates of title:

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- 1. Original title for any motor vehicle which is not a

 2 remanufactured, salvage, unrecovered-theft, rebuilt, rebodied,

 3 foreign export, or junked vehicle;
 - 2. Salvage title for any motor vehicle which is a salvage vehicle or is specified as a salvage vehicle or the equivalent thereof on a certificate of title from another state;
 - 3. Rebuilt title for any motor vehicle which is a rebuilt vehicle;
 - 4. Junked title for any motor vehicle which is a junked vehicle or is specified as a junked vehicle or the equivalent thereof on a certificate of title from another state;
 - 5. Classic title for any motor vehicle, except a junked vehicle, which is twenty-five (25) model years or older;
- 6. Remanufactured title for any vehicle which is a remanufactured vehicle;
 - 7. Unrecovered-theft title for any motor vehicle which has been stolen and not recovered; and
 - 8. Rebodied title for any motor vehicle which is a rebodied vehicle; and
- 9. Foreign export title for any foreign export vehicle. The

 Oklahoma Tax Commission shall prescribe a form to be completed and

 submitted under oath together with the purchase contract for the

 vehicle and proof of commitment to ship the vehicle by common

 carrier vessel, air, rail, or any other common carrier for hire.

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Upon approval by the Commission and payment of the required certificate of title fee, the Commission shall issue a foreign export certificate of title.

Application for a certificate of title, whether the initial certificate of title or a duplicate, may be made to Service Oklahoma or any licensed operator. When application is made with a licensed operator, the application information shall be transmitted either electronically or by mail to Service Oklahoma by the licensed operator. If the application information is transmitted electronically, the licensed operator shall forward the required application along with evidence of ownership, where required, by mail. Where the transmission of application information cannot be performed electronically, Service Oklahoma is authorized to provide postage paid envelopes to licensed operators for the purpose of mailing the application along with evidence of ownership, where required. Service Oklahoma shall upon receipt of proper application information issue an Oklahoma certificate of title. certificates may be mailed to the applicant. Upon issuance of a certificate of title, Service Oklahoma shall provide the appropriate licensed operator with confirmation of such issuance.

- C. 1. The application for certificate of title shall be upon a blank form furnished by Service Oklahoma, containing:
 - a. a full description of the vehicle,

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- b. the manufacturer's serial or other identification
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 - the motor number and the date on which first sold by the manufacturer or dealer to the owner,
 - d. any distinguishing marks,

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- e. a statement of the applicant's source of title,
- f. any security interest upon the vehicle, and
- g. such other information as Service Oklahoma may require.
- 2. The application for a certificate of title for a vehicle which is within the last seven (7) model years shall require a declaration as to whether the vehicle has been damaged by collision or other occurrence and whether the vehicle has been recovered from theft and the extent of the damage to the vehicle. The declaration shall be made by the owner of a vehicle if:
 - a. the vehicle has been damaged or stolen,
 - b. the owner did or did not receive any payment for the loss from an insurer, or
 - c. the vehicle is titled or registered in a state that does not classify the vehicle or brand the title because of damage to or loss of the vehicle similar to the classifications or brands utilized by this state.

The declaration shall be based upon the best information and knowledge of the owner and shall be in addition to the requirements

- 1 specified in paragraph 1 of this subsection. Service Oklahoma shall not issue a certificate of title for a vehicle which is subject to 2 the provisions of this paragraph without the required declaration, 3 completed and signed by the owner of the vehicle. Upon receipt of 4 5 an application without the properly completed declaration, Service Oklahoma shall return the application to the applicant with notice 6 that the title may not be issued without the required declaration. 7 Nothing in this paragraph shall prohibit Service Oklahoma from 9 recognizing the type of or brand on a title or other ownership 10 document issued by another state or the inspection conducted in another state and issuing the appropriate certificate of title for 11 12 the vehicle.
 - 3. The certificate of title shall have the following security features:
 - a. intaglio printing or security thread, with or without watermark,
 - b. latent images,
 - c. fluorescent inks,
 - d. micro print,
 - e. void background, and
 - f. color coding.
 - 4. Each title issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma

 Vehicle License and Registration Act shall be color coded as

 determined by Service Oklahoma.

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- 5. The certificate of title shall be of such size and design and color as Service Oklahoma may direct pursuant to the provisions of this section. The title shall be on colored paper or other material as designated by Service Oklahoma and be of such intensity or hue as will allow easy identification as to whether the title is an original title, a salvage title, a rebuilt title, remanufactured title, rebodied title, foreign export title, or a junked title. type of title shall be identified on the front of the certificate of title. The original title, rebuilt title, remanufactured title, an unrecovered-theft title, rebodied title, foreign export title, or classic title shall be identified by the word "Original", "Rebuilt", "Remanufactured", "Unrecovered Theft", "Rebodied", "Foreign Export", or "Classic" printed in the upper right quadrant of the certificate of title, in the space which is currently captioned "type of title". A rebodied title shall also identify on the front of the title the year, make and model of the originally manufactured vehicle which has been rebodied and display a notation that reads as follows: "This vehicle has been assembled with new major components licensed by the original manufacturer."
- D. 1. To obtain an original certificate of title for a vehicle that is being registered for the first time in this state which has not been previously registered in any other state, the applicant shall be required to deliver, as evidence of ownership, a manufacturer's certificate of origin properly assigned by the

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- manufacturer, distributor, or dealer licensed in this or any other

 state shown thereon to be the last transferee to the applicant upon

 a form to be prescribed and approved by Service Oklahoma. A

 manufacturer's certificate of origin shall contain:
 - a. the manufacturer's serial or other identification number,
 - b. date on which first sold by the manufacturer to the dealer,
 - c. any distinguishing marks including model and the year same was made,
 - d. a statement of any security interests upon the vehicle, and
 - e. such other information as Service Oklahoma may require.
 - 2. The manufacturer's certificate of origin shall have the following security features:
 - a. intaglio printing or security thread, with or without watermark,
 - b. latent images,
 - c. fluorescent inks,
 - d. micro print, and
 - e. void background.
- E. In the absence of a dealer's or manufacturer's number,

 Service Oklahoma may assign such identifying number to the vehicle,

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1 which shall be permanently stamped, burned, or pressed or attached into the vehicle, and a certificate of title shall be delivered to 2 the applicant upon payment of all fees and taxes, and the remaining 3 copies shall be permanently filed and indexed by Service Oklahoma. 5 Service Oklahoma shall assign an identifying number to any rebuilt vehicle if the vehicle identification number displayed on the rebuilt vehicle does not accurately describe the vehicle as rebuilt. 7 The licensed operator, at the time of inspection of the rebuilt 9 vehicle pursuant to Section 1111 of this title, shall identify the make, model, and year for the body to accurately describe the 10 rebuilt vehicle. At the time of the inspection, an appropriate 11 12 identifying number shall be permanently stamped, burned, pressed, or 13 attached on the rebuilt vehicle. The assigned identifying number shall be recorded on the certificate of title for the rebuilt 14 The dealer's or manufacturer's vehicle identification 15 number on the rebuilt vehicle shall be preserved in the computer 16 files of Service Oklahoma for at least five (5) years. 17

- F. When registering for the first time in this state a vehicle which was not originally manufactured for sale in the United States, to obtain a certificate of title, Service Oklahoma shall require the applicant to deliver:
- 1. As evidence of ownership, if the vehicle has not previously been titled in the United States, the documents constituting valid proof of ownership in the country in which the vehicle was

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- originally purchased, together with a notarized translation of any such documents; and
- 2. As evidence of compliance with federal law, copies of the bond release letters for the vehicle issued by the United States
 Environmental Protection Agency and the United States Department of
 Transportation, together with a receipt issued by the Internal
 Revenue Service indicating that the applicable federal gas guzzler tax has been paid.

Service Oklahoma shall not issue a certificate of title for a vehicle which is subject to the provisions of this paragraph without the required documentation from agencies of the United States and evidence of ownership. Upon receipt of an application without the required documentation, Service Oklahoma shall return the application to the applicant with notice that the certificate of title may not be issued without the required documentation. Nothing in this paragraph shall prohibit Service Oklahoma from issuing certificates of title for antique or classic vehicles not driven upon the public streets, roads, or highways, for mini-trucks registered pursuant to Section 1151.3 of this title, or for medium-speed electric vehicles.

G. When registering in this state a vehicle which was titled in another state and which title contains the name of a secured party on the face of the other state certificate of title, or such state certificate is being held by the secured party in that state or any

other state, Service Oklahoma or the licensed operator shall complete a lien entry form as prescribed by Service Oklahoma. owner of such vehicle shall file an affidavit with Service Oklahoma or the licensed operator stating that title to the vehicle is being held by a secured party, has not been issued pursuant to the laws of the state where titled, and that there is an existing lien or encumbrance on the vehicle. The current name and address of the secured party or lienholder shall also be stated in the affidavit. The form of the affidavit shall be prescribed by Service Oklahoma and contain any other information deemed necessary by Service A statement of the lien or encumbrance shall be included Oklahoma. on the Oklahoma certificate of title and the lien or encumbrance shall be deemed continuously perfected as though it had been perfected pursuant to Section 1110 of this title. For completing the lien entry form and recording the security interest on the certificate of title, Service Oklahoma or the licensed operator shall collect a fee of Three Dollars (\$3.00) which shall be in addition to other fees provided by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act. The fee, if collected by the licensed operator pursuant to this subsection, shall be retained by the licensed operator.

H. The charge for each certificate of title issued, except for junked titles and foreign export titles as defined in paragraph 4 of subsection B of this section, shall be Eleven Dollars (\$11.00),

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which charge shall be in addition to any other fees or taxes imposed by law for such vehicle. One Dollar (\$1.00) of each such charge shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund through December 31, 2022, and beginning January 1, 2023, it shall be deposited in the Service Oklahoma Reimbursement Fund. the charge shall not apply to any vehicle which is to be registered in this state pursuant to the provisions of Section 1120 or 1133 of this title and which was registered in another state at least sixty (60) days prior to the time it is required to be registered in this state. When an insurer requests a salvage or junk title in the name of the insurer resulting from the settlement of a total loss claim and upon presentation of appropriate proof of loss documentation as required by Service Oklahoma, such transfer may be processed as one title transaction, without first requiring issuance of a replacement certificate of title in the name of the vehicle owner. The fee shall be Twenty-two Dollars (\$22.00). Two Dollars (\$2.00) of this fee shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement The charge for a foreign export title shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), which charge shall be in addition to any other fees or taxes imposed by law for such vehicle. One Dollar (\$1.00) of this fee shall be deposited in the Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund.

I. The vehicle identification number of a junked vehicle shall be preserved in the computer files of Service Oklahoma for a period

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- of not less than five (5) years. The charge of junked titles as

 defined in paragraph 4 of subsection B of this section shall be Four

 Dollars (\$4.00). The fee remitted to the Tax Commission shall be

 deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund through

 December 31, 2022, and beginning January 1, 2023, this fee shall be

 deposited in the Service Oklahoma Reimbursement Fund.
 - J. If a vehicle is sold to a resident of another state destroyed, dismantled, or ceases to be used as a vehicle, the owner shall immediately notify Service Oklahoma. Absent evidence to the contrary, failure to notify Service Oklahoma shall be prima facie evidence that the vehicle has been in continuous operation in this state.
 - K. If a vehicle is stolen, the owner shall immediately notify the appropriate law enforcement agency. Immediately after receiving such notification, the law enforcement agency shall notify Service Oklahoma.
 - L. Except for all-terrain vehicles, utility vehicles and motorcycles used exclusively for off-road use, no title for an out-of-state vehicle, except for foreign export titles or any commercial truck or truck-tractor registered pursuant to Section 1120 of this title which is engaged in interstate commerce or any trailer or semitrailer registered pursuant to Section 1133 of this title which is engaged in interstate commerce, shall be issued without an inspection of such vehicle and payment of a fee of Four Dollars

- 1 (\$4.00) for such inspection; provided, Service Oklahoma may enter
 2 into reciprocal agreements with other states for such inspections to
 3 be performed at locations outside the boundaries of this state for
 4 vehicles which:
 - 1. Are offered for sale at auction;
 - 2. Have been solely used as vehicles for rent under the ownership of a licensed motor vehicle dealer or a person engaged in the business of renting motor vehicles; or
- 9 3. Have not been registered in this or any other state for more 10 than one (1) year.
- The inspection shall include a comparison of the vehicle 11 identification number on the vehicle with the number recorded on the 12 13 ownership records and the recording of the actual odometer reading on the vehicle. The four-dollar fee shall be collected by the 14 licensed operator or Service Oklahoma when the title is issued. 15 licensed operator shall retain Two Dollars (\$2.00). The remaining 16 17 Two Dollars (\$2.00) shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund through December 31, 2022, and 18 beginning January 1, 2023, this fee shall be deposited in the 19 Service Oklahoma Reimbursement Fund. 20
 - Service Oklahoma may allow the inspection to be performed at a location out-of-state by another state's department of motor vehicles or state police.

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M. No title for any out-of-state vehicle offered for sale at salvage pools, salvage disposal sales, or an auction, or by a dealer or a licensed automotive dismantler and parts recycler, shall be issued without an inspection to compare the vehicle identification number on the vehicle with the number recorded on the ownership record and to record the actual odometer reading on the vehicle. Upon request of the seller, person or entity conducting an auction, dealer or licensed dismantler, the inspection shall be conducted at the location or place of business of the sale, auction, dealer, or the dismantler. The inspection shall be conducted by any licensed operator or a duly authorized employee thereof; provided, if the vehicle identification number on the vehicle offered for sale at salvage pools, salvage disposal sales or a classic or antique auction does not match the number recorded on the ownership record, the inspection may be conducted at the location of or place of business of such sale or auction by any state, county or city law enforcement officer. Service Oklahoma may enter into reciprocal agreements with other states for such inspections to be performed at locations outside the boundaries of this state for vehicles which:

- 1. Are offered for sale at auction;
- 2. Have been solely used as vehicles for rent under the ownership of a licensed motor vehicle dealer or a person engaged in the business of renting motor vehicles; or

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1 3. Have not been registered in this or any other state for more 2 than one (1) year. The inspection shall be certified upon forms prescribed by Service 3 The name and other identification of the authorized 5 person conducting the inspection shall be legibly printed or typed on the form. Prior to any inspection by any employee of a licensed 6 operator, the licensed operator shall notify Service Oklahoma of the 7 name and any other identification information requested by Service 9 Oklahoma of the authorized person. A signature specimen of the authorized person shall be submitted to Service Oklahoma by the 10 employing licensed operator. If the authorization to inspect 11 vehicles is withdrawn or the employer-employee relationship is 12 13 terminated, the licensed operator, immediately, shall notify Service Oklahoma and return any remaining inspection forms to Service 14 The fee for the inspection shall be Four Dollars (\$4.00). 15 The licensed operator shall retain Three Dollars (\$3.00) of the fee. 16 17 Fees received by a licensed operator or an authorized employee thereof shall be handled and accounted for in the manner as 18 prescribed by law for any other fees paid to or received by a 19 licensed operator. Out-of-state vehicles brought into this state by 20 a person licensed in another state to sell new or used vehicles to 21 be sold within this state at a motor vehicle auction which is 22 limited to dealer-to-dealer transactions shall not be required to be 23 inspected, unless the vehicle is purchased by an Oklahoma dealer. 24

Any person licensed in another state to sell new or used motor

vehicles, who offers a motor vehicle for sale within this state at a

motor vehicle auction which is limited to dealer-to-dealer

transactions, shall not be within the definition of "owner" in

Section 1102 of this title, for purposes of Section 1101 et seq. of

this title.

A licensed motor vehicle dealer, upon payment of a fee of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00), may reassign an out-of-state certificate of title to a used motor vehicle provided such dealer obtains the appropriate inspection form required by either subsection L or M of this section and attaches the form to the out-of-state certificate of title. Licensed operators shall be allowed to retain Two Dollars and twenty-five cents (\$2.25) of the fee plus an additional Two Dollars (\$2.00) or Three Dollars (\$3.00) as provided in subsections L and M of this section for performance of the inspection. Dollars (\$2.00) of the fee shall be deposited in the Service Oklahoma Reimbursement Fund. An out-of-state vehicle which has been rebuilt shall be inspected pursuant to the provisions of Section 1111 of this title. Service Oklahoma shall train licensed operators in interpreting vehicle identification numbers to assure that it accurately describes the vehicle and to detect rollback or alteration of the odometer. Failure of a licensed operator to inspect the vehicle and make the required notations shall be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than One Thousand

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- Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the first offense and Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the second offense or subsequent offense, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
 - O. The ownership of any unrecovered vehicle which has been declared a total loss by an insurer because of theft shall be transferred to the insurer by an unrecovered-theft vehicle title; provided, the ownership of any such vehicle which has been declared a total loss by an insurer licensed by the Insurance Department of the State of Oklahoma this state and maintaining a multi-state motor vehicle salvage processing center in this state shall be transferred to the insurer by a salvage or an unrecovered-theft title without the requirement of a visual inspection of the vehicle identification number by the insurer. Upon recovery of the vehicle, the ownership shall be transferred by an original title, salvage title, or junked title, as may be appropriate based upon an estimate of the amount of loss submitted by the insurer.
 - P. When an insurance company makes a total loss settlement on a total loss vehicle and the insurance company or a salvage pool authorized by the insurance company is unable to obtain the properly endorsed certificate of ownership or other evidence of ownership acceptable to Service Oklahoma within thirty (30) days following acceptance by the owner of an offer of an amount in settlement of a total loss, that insurance company or salvage pool, on a form

- provided by Service Oklahoma and signed under penalty of perjury,

 may request Service Oklahoma to issue the applicable salvage title

 for the vehicle. The request shall include information declaring

 that the requester has made at least two written attempts to obtain

 the certificate of ownership or other acceptable evidence of title.
 - The owner of any vehicle which is incapable of operation or Q. use on the public roads and has no resale value, except as parts, scrap, or junk, may deliver the certificate of title to the vehicle to Service Oklahoma for cancellation. Upon verification that any perfected lien against the vehicle has been released, the certificate of title shall be canceled without any fee, charge, or cost required from the owner. The vehicle identification numbers on the certificates of title shall be preserved in the computer files of Service Oklahoma for at least five (5) years from the date of cancellation of the certificate of title. Service Oklahoma shall prescribe and provide an affidavit form to be completed by the owner of any vehicle for which the certificate of title is canceled. title or registration shall subsequently be issued for a vehicle for which the certificate of title has been surrendered pursuant to this subsection. Service Oklahoma shall prescribe a form for the transfer of ownership of a vehicle for which the certificate of title has been canceled.
 - R. The owner of a vehicle which is not within the last ten (10) model years, not roadworthy and not capable of repair for operation

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or use on the roads and highways, or a vehicle which is being sold to a scrap metal dealer pursuant to Section 11-92 of Title 2 of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall transfer the vehicle only upon a certificate of ownership prescribed by Service Oklahoma, if the certificate of title to the vehicle is lost, has been canceled, or otherwise not available. The prescribed ownership form shall include the names and addresses of the buyer and seller, the driver license number or Social Security number of the seller, the make and model of the vehicle, and the public vehicle identification number. If there is no public vehicle identification number, the vehicle shall be inspected by a law enforcement officer to verify the absence of the number on the vehicle and the prescribed ownership form shall include a signed statement, by such officer, verifying the absence of the number.

The certificate of ownership shall be completed in triplicate.

The buyer and seller shall each retain a copy. Within thirty (30) days of the transaction, the seller shall submit one copy to Service Oklahoma or a licensed operator accompanied with a fee of Four Dollars (\$4.00). One Dollar (\$1.00) shall be retained by the licensed operator and Three Dollars (\$3.00) shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund in the State Treasury through December 31, 2022, and beginning January 1, 2023, this fee shall be deposited in the Service Oklahoma Reimbursement Fund.

Upon receipt of the certificate, Service Oklahoma shall verify that any perfected lien upon the vehicle has been released. If the lien is not released, Service Oklahoma shall mail notice of the transfer to the lienholder at the lienholder's last-known address. If a certificate of title has been issued, it shall be canceled and the vehicle identification number shall be preserved in the computer of Service Oklahoma for at least five (5) years. The buyer of the vehicle may not be sued and shall not be liable for monetary damages to the lienholder; however, the vehicle shall be subject to a valid repossession by a lienholder.

- S. Service Oklahoma shall notify the chief administrative officer of the agency or department responsible for issuing motor vehicle certificates of title in each state in the United States of the types of motor vehicle certificate of title effective in Oklahoma on and after January 1, 1989.
- T. When registering for the first time in this state a remanufactured vehicle which has not been registered in any other state since its remanufacture, before issuing a certificate of title, Service Oklahoma shall require the applicant to deliver a statement of origin from the remanufacturer.
- U. If a vehicle is sold to a foreign buyer pursuant to the provisions of the Automotive Dismantlers and Parts Recycler Act, the licensed seller shall stamp the title with: "EXPORT ONLY.
- NONTRANSFERABLE IN THE UNITED STATES." The licensed seller shall

supply Service Oklahoma the title number, the vehicle identification number and the foreign buyer's bid identification number on a form prescribed by Service Oklahoma. Service Oklahoma shall cancel the title, and the vehicle identification number shall be preserved in the computer files of Service Oklahoma for a period of not less than five (5) years.

V. Service Oklahoma shall not be considered a necessary party to any lawsuit which is instigated for the purpose of determining ownership of a vehicle, wherein Service Oklahoma's only involvement would be to issue title, and the court shall issue an order dismissing Service Oklahoma from the pending action. In the event no other party or lienholder can be identified as to ownership or claim, Service Oklahoma shall accept an affidavit of ownership from the party claiming ownership and issue proper title thereon.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2023.

SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

1	Passed the Senate the 8th day of March, 2023.
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