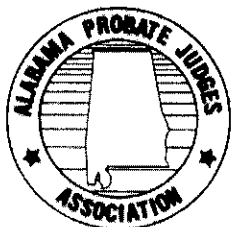


# Tags



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Probate Judge Conference  
March 3-6, 2019  
Prattville, Alabama





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## Alabama Probate Judges Meeting





March 4, 2019

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## House Joint Resolution 14

- Research and draft recommendations to combat curbstoning and abandoned vehicle fraud
- Recommendations submitted to legislature by Feb. 2019
- Proposed legislative changes:
  - Master dealer regulatory license
  - Increase dealer license fee
  - Vehicle auction license
  - Require abandoned vehicles to be bonded
  - Increase title hold time on abandoned vehicles
  - Expand enforcement provisions

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## Fleet Registration Portal

- DOR portal to allow registration and renewal of fleet vehicles
- Fleet – 50 or more vehicles less than 12,000 lbs.
- DOR will calculate ad valorem tax
- DOR will issue registration
- Fleet license plate
- DOR rule making authority to expand to other vehicles (i.e. IRP)

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## MLI Task Force

- Eliminate 4 mo. suspension period
- Reduce lookback period for 2<sup>nd</sup> and subsequent violations to 3 years
- Increase licensing official's commission on reinstatement fee to 15%
- Change distribution date to 20<sup>th</sup> of the mo.
- Increase annual amount retained by licensing official's office from \$10K to \$25K
- Address inconsistencies with stored/inoperable vehicles

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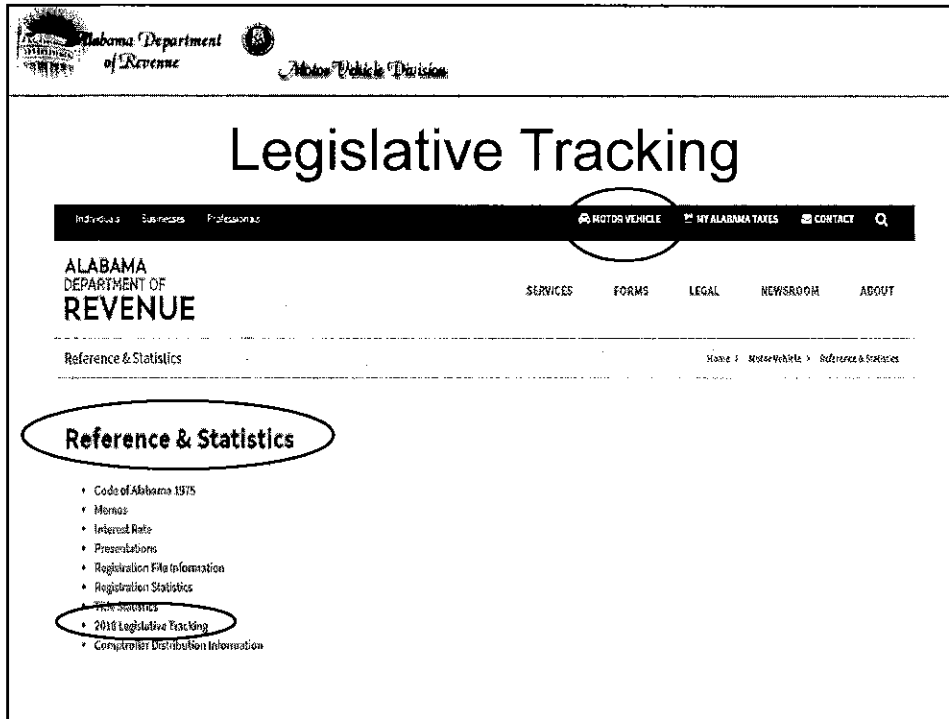
## Title Service Provider

- Allow title service provider to perform designated agent duties for a licensed dealer
- Title service provider is any person who acts as an agent for a licensed dealer
- Title service provider must be bonded like a designated agent
- Effective immediately upon passage

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## Manufactured Home Title Fee

- Clarify that additional \$5 MH tile fee shall be collected for each unit of a MH subject to titling
- Additional fee not collected on MH cancellations
- MH's which are 2000 year and subsequent models are subject to titling
- Effective 1/1/2020



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# Legislative Tracking

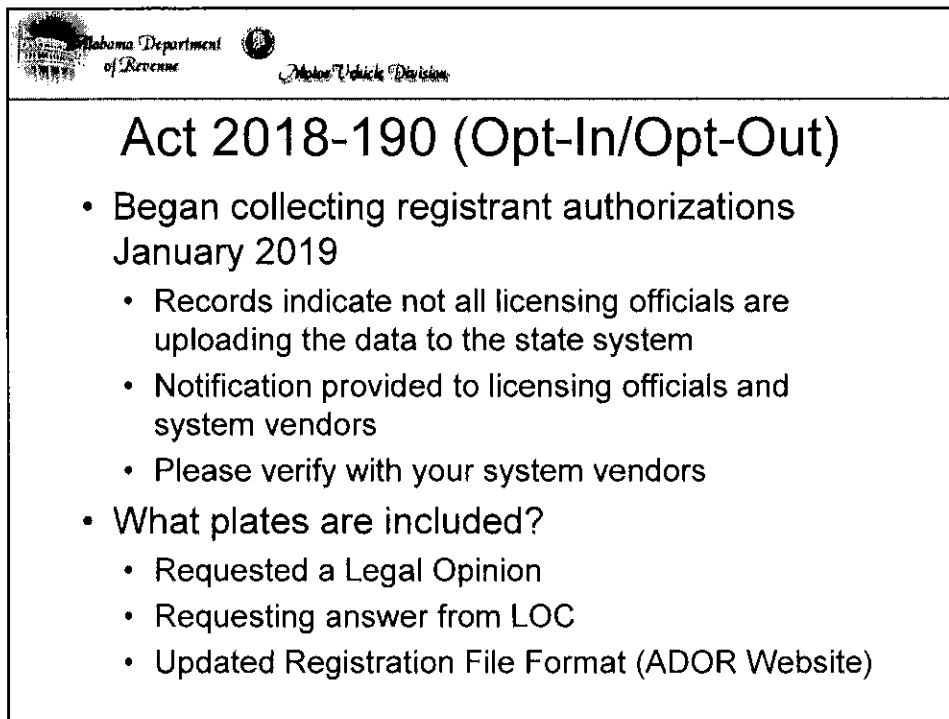
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## Reference & Statistics



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- Interest Rate
- Presentations
- Registration File Information
- Registration Statistics
- Publications
- **2018 Legislative Tracking**
- Comptroller Distribution Information



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## Act 2018-190 (Opt-In/Opt-Out)

- Began collecting registrant authorizations January 2019
  - Records indicate not all licensing officials are uploading the data to the state system
  - Notification provided to licensing officials and system vendors
  - Please verify with your system vendors
- What plates are included?
  - Requested a Legal Opinion
  - Requesting answer from LOC
  - Updated Registration File Format (ADOR Website)

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## Print on Demand

- 2020 POD Receipts – Three (3) bulk shipments
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Delivery – December 2018
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Delivery – February 2019
    - Receive invoices in AIMS
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Delivery – May 2019
  - Continue to use 2019 (Green) POD material without opt-in/opt-out language
    - If ADOR places future orders with ACI, will include
- All shipments must be received in AIMS to get your control numbers
  - 2 digit county code and 6 digit sequential number
- Additional orders can be placed in AIMS

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## Delinquent Trailer Registrations

- 2006 Memo (2006-4)
  - Trailers – Delinquent registration penalty fee 15%
    - Section 40-12-10(e)
- 2019 Memo (2019-1)
  - Trailers – Delinquent registration penalty fee \$15
  - Defined as “Motor Vehicle” under 40-12-240(8), Code of Alabama 1975
  - Updating Admin Rule 810-5-1-.211 (Delinquency Penalty)

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## MLI

- 2<sup>nd</sup> OIVS verification check reduced from 30 to 21 days
  - Effective December 2018
- Updated MLI Call Scripts
  - "No-Exempt Responses"
    - ADOR agents are advising taxpayers to contact their local licensing official to determine what proof of non-use is needed.
- Enhancements
  - Allow partial searches by DL, VIN, Tag, PIN and name
    - Display most recent five (5) records
  - Ability to expand/collapse records
- Licensing officials retain 10% of reinstatement fee
  - 50% to county general fund
  - 50% Special registration/titling technology fund


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## Future Enhancements

- Electronic Temp Tag Process in ALTS
  - Does not directly affect Licensing Officials
  - Currently in testing phase
- Records Request Portal
  - Electronic request and payment process




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## Alabama Title System

 News and Alerts


The following changes to ALTS have recently been moved into production:

- ALTS 3233 - Added "Documents Received" status to application record so that BA will know when documents are received.
- ALTS 3458 - Allow owner information to be entered for out of state salvage title application when it is retained by owner.
- ALTS 3963 - Removed requirement to enter title number on pre-qualifier screen for replacement titles.
- ALTS 3159 - Added user name of clerk that created the application on reject dashboard page.
- ALTS 3076 - Allow BBA name to be entered and reflected on title application.
- ALTS 3594 - Fixed issue that was preventing application for HH title with surety bond.
- ALTS 3383 - Changed "Required Documents" to "Supporting Documents" on the title application.
- ALTS 3528 - Fixed VIN decoder to attempt to decode trailer body styles.
- ALTS 3074 - Added link to document images for designated agents.
- ALTS 3155 - Added undeliverable address feature to ALTS menu for designated agents.

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## ALTS Updates



- No new applications in ETAPS (December 2018)
- New API System
- Allow resub letters to be reprinted.
- Adding a VIN error message to Pre-Qualifier
- Adding an edit to allow VINs to be fixed without voiding & retyping applications



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## Future Enhancements

- Document Upload Feature
- Public Interface (Replacements, Rebuilt, etc.)
- Electronic Lien and Title (ELT)
- NMVTIS Integration

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## Owner Information

- Section 32-8-35, states the application for title shall contain the current legal name of the owner.
- Owner's name must be in agreement on all title documents.
- Any variance(s) in the owner's name between title documents will require that the owner provide an affidavit attesting to the variance(s).
- The affidavit must be notarized, unless witnessed by a designated agent.
- Administrative Rule 810-5-75-.40 - Requirements for Names and Signatures on Title Applications, Title Assignments and Motor Vehicle Registrations.

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## Owner Information

- Two owners joined by “and” shall have tenancy in common ownership rights.
- Both owners are required to sign the title application.
- When one owner becomes deceased, his/her ownership interest in the vehicle transfers to the estate.
- Title/registration must be amended in order to reflect the change in ownership.

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## Owner Information

- Owner’s estate has been or will be probated.
  - Individual signing on behalf of deceased owner’s estate must provide copy of letters testamentary or letters of administration issued by the probate court.
- Owner’s estate not required to be probated.
  - Individual signing on behalf of deceased owner must provide the following documents:
    - Properly completed *Affidavit For Assignment Of Title For a Vehicle From a Deceased Owner Whose Estate Does Not Require Probate* (form MVT 5-6)
    - Copy of the owner’s death certificate




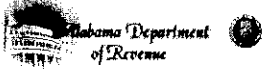
**Owner Information**

- Two owners joined by "or" or "and/or" shall have joint tenancy ownership rights.
- Only one owner is required to sign the title application.
- When one owner becomes deceased, his/her ownership interest in the vehicle transfers to the other joint owner. It does NOT go through the deceased's estate.
- The deceased owner's name MUST be removed from the title and vehicle registration.
- A death certificate is adequate documentation to make the change in both the title and the motor vehicle registration documents.



**Owner Information**

- Section 32-8-30, requires that if the owner's legal name has changed from the name recorded on the certificate of title, an application for a corrected certificate of title must be made to reflect the owner's current legal name.
- Registrations cannot be renewed until an application for a corrected title has been made.
- Refer to Memo 2015-023



## Contact Us

- Telephone number: (334) 242-9000
- Licensing Offices select option 5
- Provide name, county and reason for call
- Call will be transferred to a live person in the appropriate work unit
- MVD staff should identify themselves, if not, ask for their name
- email: [MVD@revenue.alabama.gov](mailto:MVD@revenue.alabama.gov)
- Report any issues to MVD management