

2022 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 174

BY SENATOR CARTER

MOTOR VEHICLES. Establishes an advisory committee to study changes in the endorsement of certificates of title necessary for the transfer of ownership of vehicles.

A RESOLUTION

To establish the Motor Vehicle Title Endorsement Policy Advisory Committee to collaborate with the office of motor vehicles to formulate proposed legislation, rules, and policies to ensure the security of title transactions for all motor vehicle certificates of title regardless of format.

WHEREAS, electronic odometer and electronic-title solutions aid in reducing vehicle-related fraud, improved data accuracy, and improved timeliness of data exchange; and

WHEREAS, the office of motor vehicles has announced its intent to move away from paper certificates of title in favor of secure electronic title and odometer records; and

WHEREAS, there currently exists a need to develop a statewide electronic motor vehicle title and odometer solution to allow for transfer of vehicle titles without requiring production of a paper title; and

WHEREAS, the office of motor vehicles is unable to implement the necessary changes because of current notarial authentication requirements for the signatures of sellers on Louisiana motor vehicle title assignments.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in preparation for revising notarial requirements applicable to the endorsement of certificates of title and other documents

1 associated with the transfers of ownership of currently titled vehicles and vehicles intended
2 to be titled in the state of Louisiana in the future, the Senate of the Legislature does hereby
3 establish the Motor Vehicle Title Endorsement Policy Advisory Committee to collaborate
4 with the office of motor vehicles to formulate proposed legislation, rules, and policies
5 designed to ensure the security of motor vehicle title transactions regardless of the format
6 of the certificate of title.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the membership of the advisory committee shall
8 be composed of the following members:

- 9 (1) The president of the Senate or his designee
- 10 (2) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and
11 Public Works or his designee.
- 12 (3) The commissioner of the office of motor vehicles or her designee.
- 13 (4) A representative of the Louisiana Notary Association.
- 14 (5) A representative of the Professional Civil Law Notaries Association.
- 15 (6) A representative of the Notariat Acadien.
- 16 (7) A representative of the Louisiana Public Tag Association.
- 17 (8) A representative of the Louisiana Automobile Dealers Association.
- 18 (9) A representative of the Louisiana Independent Auto Dealers Association.
- 19 (10) A representative of the Louisiana Motor Vehicle Commission.
- 20 (11) A representative of the Louisiana Used Motor Vehicle Commission.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the stakeholder committee shall determine its
22 own leadership structure at its first administrative governing body meeting that shall be
23 convened no later than September 1, 2022, on the call of the commissioner of the office of
24 motor vehicles.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the office of motor vehicles shall provide staff
26 support to the committee.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the stakeholders committee shall make
28 recommendations applicable to the statutes, rules, and policies regarding the endorsement
29 of certificates of title and the implementation of the electronic title and odometer statement
30 system.

