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## DIGEST

Nevers (SB 98)

<u>Present law</u> requires the commissioner of office of motor vehicles (OMV) to promulgate rules and regulations for issuance of registration licenses, collection of registration license taxes, and to implement and govern a system of public license tag agents.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes public license tag agents to receive and process applications for certificates of title and authorizes public license tag agents to charge a convenience fee not to exceed \$18.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that any over-the-counter application for a motor vehicle certificate of title shall be made only to a public license tag agent beginning January 1, 2014, except when such application is made by mail to OMV or "dropped off" at an OMV field office for later processing.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the commissioner to promulgate rules and regulations for applications for motor vehicle certificates of title with public license tag agents.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires that an auto title company satisfy the following qualifications to be licensed as a public license tag agent in addition to those set forth in R.S. 47:532.1 and Chapter 4 of Title 32 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 for the purposes of this Section:

- (1) Be in good standing with OMV.
- (2) Have had no contract with the OMV suspended, revoked, cancelled, or restricted for any cause listed in R.S. 32:737.
- (3) Be in compliance with standard policies of OMV applicable to funds management, payment, submission, and transfer.
- (4) Satisfactorily pass a background check.
- (5) Have satisfactory experience with all audits required by OMV.
- (6) Be in compliance with any additional requirements promulgated by the commissioner of OMV pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act.

Effective January 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 47:532.1(A)(2)(a); adds R.S. 47:532.2)

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

## <u>Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works to the original bill</u>

- 1. Clarifies that a public license tag agent has authority to receive an application for a motor vehicle certificate of title, instead of to issue such certificate.
- 2. Adds that an application for a certificate of title may be "dropped off" at an OMV field office for later processing.
- 3. Deletes licensing requirement that an auto title company must have been qualified to do and doing business in Louisiana for not less than twelve months prior to applying for a license as a public license tag agent under the provisions of proposed law.