

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §17-16D-11

## **§17-16D-11. Nonrenewal of vehicle registration; effect of civil or criminal violation.**

(a) Upon receipt of a notice from the Parkways Authority that a vehicle owner failed to pay tolls and costs in accordance with a notice of default judgment, or court order, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall refuse to register, or renew the registration of any vehicle of which the person committing the violation is a registered owner or co-owner until such time as the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles receives notice from the Parkways Authority that all fees, penalties and costs imposed on that person pursuant to this article have been paid or satisfied.

(b) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall refuse or suspend the registration of any motor vehicle incurring a toll violation under this article if:

(1) The commissioner is notified by the Parkways Authority that a registered owner has been served with a citation in accordance with this article and:

(A) Has failed to pay the electronic toll, administrative fee, and the civil penalty for the toll violation by the date specified in the citation; or

(B) Has failed to contest liability for the toll violation by the date identified and in the manner specified in the citation; or

(2) The commissioner is notified by the Parkways Authority or the circuit court that a person who elected to contest liability for a toll violation under this article has failed to appear for trial or hearing or has been determined to be responsible for the toll violation and has failed to pay the electronic toll and related civil penalty.

(c) In conjunction with any rule promulgated by the Parkways Authority, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may adopt regulations and develop procedures to carry out the refusal or suspension of a registration as authorized by this section.

(d) The procedures specified in this section are in addition to any other penalty provided by law for toll violations.

(e) The provisions of this section may be applied to enforce a reciprocal agreement entered into by this state and another jurisdiction in accordance with section thirteen of this article, and any reciprocal enforcement of toll violations entered into by the commissioner may include any such violations involving a private toll transportation facility operating pursuant to §17-17-38 of this code.