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(By Mr. Seibert)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section twelve, article three, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to issuance and delivery of certificates of title to motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section twelve, article three, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 12. Commissioner to Issue Certificate of Title;

2 Certificate of Title to Be Delivered to Owner or Lienor.—

3 The commissioner, if satisfied that the applicant for a certificate of title is the owner of such vehicle, or otherwise entitled to have the same registered in his name, shall issue an appropriate certificate of title.
7 The certificate of title shall contain upon the face thereof the date issued, the name and address of the owner, such description of the vehicle as determined by the commissioner, and a statement of the owner's title and of all liens and encumbrances upon the vehicle therein described and whether possession is held by the owner under a lease, contract of conditional sale, or other like agreement, and shall bear thereon the seal of the department.

16 The certificate of title shall contain upon the reverse side a space for the signature of the owner and the owner shall write his name with pen and ink in such space upon receipt of the certificate. Such certificate shall also contain upon the reverse side forms for assignment of title or interest and warranty thereof by the owner with space for notation of liens and encumbrances upon the vehicle at the time of a transfer.

24 The commissioner, upon issuing a certificate of title, shall deliver same to the person who holds legal title to the vehicle described on the face of said certificate: Provided, That when a certificate of title is issued showing
upon the face thereof a lien or encumbrance or liens orencumbrances, such certificate of title shall be delivered
to the lien holder in order of priority. It shall be unlawful
and constitute a misdemeanor for a lienor who holds a
certificate of title as hereinabove in this section provided,
to refuse or fail to surrender such certificate of title to
the person legally entitled thereto within ten days after
the lien or encumbrance or liens or encumbrances shown
on the face thereof shall have been paid and satisfied.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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Chairman Senate Committee

[F. F. Deen]
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House of Delegates

Takes effect July 1, 1959, upon passage.

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Clerk of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

[Ralph J. O'Neal]
President of the Senate

[W. P. Pauley]
Speaker, House of Delegates

The within approved this the 12th day of [Handwritten: March], 1959.

[Signature]
Governor