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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Introduced By: Representative Jeremiah T. O`Grady

Date Introduced: January 25, 2017

Referred To: House Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 31-3-6 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-3 entitled "Registration
2 of Vehicles" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **31-3-6. List of vehicles on which taxes delinquent -- Denial of registration.**

4 On or before October 31 in each year, the collector of taxes of each city or town shall
5 furnish the division of motor vehicles, with a listing showing the registration plate numbers,
6 names, and addresses of the taxpayers of the city or town whose personal property and/or excise
7 tax on motor vehicles, the assessment of which were made the prior December 31 in the case of
8 the property tax, and the tax levied in the current year in the case of the excise tax, remained
9 unpaid as of the date of the list. Subsequently, the collector of taxes in each city or town shall, ~~at~~
10 ~~the times and in the manner prescribed by the administrator of the division of motor vehicles,~~
11 electronically furnish to the division of motor vehicles the names and addresses of those persons
12 whose names appeared on that list who have subsequently paid such personal property, and/or
13 excise taxes on motor vehicles, and the division shall remove from the list the names and
14 addresses of those persons. The city or town shall notify the division electronically immediately
15 upon receiving payment. No city or town treasurer or tax collector shall refuse to accept personal
16 property, and/or excise taxes on a motor vehicle, or refuse to remove the names and addresses of
17 the owners of the vehicle from the list because of any other taxes owing the city or town. No
18 person, corporation, partnership, joint stock company, or association whose name appears on the
19 list and whose name has not been subsequently removed from the list shall be permitted to

1 register any motor vehicle until all the excise and attendant penalties have been paid in full and
2 the payment has been [electronically](#) certified to the division of motor vehicles by the tax
3 collector. The provisions of this section shall not be construed so as to prevent the payment of
4 taxes on motor vehicles in quarterly installments as provided in chapter 5 of title 44. The
5 provisions of this section shall apply in all respects in the case of taxes assessed upon motor
6 vehicles by any fire district.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would require a city or town to electronically notify the division of motor
2 vehicles immediately upon receiving payment of personal property, and/or excise taxes on motor
3 vehicles.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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