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SENATE BILL NO. 199

BY SENATOR COUSSAN

MOTOR VEHICLES. Provides relative to motor vehicle titles. (8/1/24)

2	To amend and reenact the section heading of R.S. 32:705 and to enact R.S. 32:705(E),
3	relative to motor vehicle titles; to provide for the delivery of certificate of title; to
4	require the acceptance of the assignment of title; to provide for exceptions to
5	certificate of title requirements; to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. The section heading of R.S. 32:705 is hereby amended and reenacted and
8	R.S. 32:705(E) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
9	§705. Delivery Acceptance and delivery of certificate to purchaser of vehicle
10	* * *
11	E. (1) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the following errors in
12	an assignment of title shall not preclude the Department of Public Safety and
13	Corrections, office of motor vehicles from accepting the assignment of title when
14	submitted with a document transferring ownership and properly endorsed,
15	pursuant to Subsection B of this Section:
16	(a) Spelling of seller or purchaser's name is in error is illegible.
17	(b) The seller signed their name incorrectly.

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1 (c) The seller assigned the title to himself in error. 2 (d) The seller or purchaser's name is misspelled and corrected with a 3 strikeover. 4 (e) An error in the address. 5 (f) An error in the date of sale. (g) The vehicle identification number is written or typed incorrectly or 6 7 a strikeover was made to acknowledge an error. 8 (2) The office of motor vehicles and licensed public tag agents shall be 9 held harmless for relying upon information on a properly endorsed agreement 10 to sell vehicle. The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Archana D. Cadge.

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<u>Present law</u> provides for requirements of selling a vehicle including the definition of endorsement.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides OMV shall accept a properly endorsed agreement to sell regardless of errors in assignment of title.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 32:705(section heading); adds R.S. 32:705(E))

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. Makes technical changes.