

To the transportation office and legislators,

As an auction company we see and offer many older vehicles for sale. Over the past few years, we have been part of an ongoing situation where we sell collected vehicles from consigners and estates but no title is available. This causes us to have to proclaim that titles are not available and to be honest it is almost impossible to get a new or replacement title since all abandoned vehicle titles were purged from the system a few years ago.

Collectors and restoration companies need a title before they invest thousands of dollars into a restoration project, these funds would flow through our economics or the state creating more jobs and sales tax revenue, and if restored will be back on the road. This would increase motor vehicle title sales taxes and fees. If they cannot create or retrieve a title they will not invest in a restoration or repair.

Please consider the changes to include an option to replace a loss or non-transferred title for a fee (\$100-\$500) for a new owner so they can invest in and complete a project vehicle.

Stolen vehicles will be an issue so a database should be available to buyers and sellers of vehicles that are stolen or presumed stolen so we can check for it.

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