

By Senator Campbell

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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to motor vehicle title
 3 certificates; amending s. 319.23, F.S.;
 4 requiring the Department of Highway Safety and
 5 Motor Vehicles to maintain certain records for
 6 10 years; providing an effective date.

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 8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 10 Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 319.23, Florida
 11 Statutes, is amended, and subsection (11) is added to that
 12 section, to read:

13 319.23 Application for, and issuance of, certificate
 14 of title.--

15 (5) The certificate of title issued by the department
 16 for a motor vehicle or mobile home previously registered
 17 outside this state shall give the name of the state or country
 18 in which the vehicle was last registered outside this state.
 19 ~~The department shall retain the evidence of title presented by~~
 20 ~~the applicant upon which the certificate of title is issued.~~
 21 The department shall use reasonable diligence in ascertaining
 22 whether or not the facts in the application are true; and, if
 23 satisfied that the applicant is the owner of the motor vehicle
 24 or mobile home and that the application is in the proper form,
 25 it shall issue a certificate of title.

26 (11) All titles, manufacturers' statements of origin,
 27 applications, and supporting documents submitted with the
 28 application, including, but not limited to, odometer
 29 statements, vehicle identification number verifications, bills
 30 of sale, indicias of ownership, dealer reassignments,
 31 photographs, and any personal identification, affidavits, or

1 documents required by or submitted to the department, shall be
2 retained by the department for not less than 10 years.

3 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.

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6 SENATE SUMMARY

7 Requires the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
8 Vehicles to retain for at least 10 years certain
documents pertaining to certificates of title.

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