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## MEMORANDUM

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TO: All License Plate Issuing Officials and Probate Judges

FROM: Don Clemons, Revenue Manager  
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SUBJECT: Changes in The Alabama Title Law (Title 32, Chapter 20, Code of Alabama 1975)

Act 2009-746, known as the Alabama Manufactured Home Certificate of Title Act, was signed by Governor Riley on May 22, 2009. The provisions of this act became effective on January 1, 2010.

Manufactured Home title fees increased to twenty dollars (\$20) for the following transactions:

- Applications for first time Alabama titles (transaction code 01)
- Applications for title transfers (transaction code 03)
- Applications for cancellation of manufacturer's certificates of origins/certificates of titles (transaction code 44)

Under this act the cancellation of manufactured home certificates of title are to be processed through a designated agent (licensed manufactured home dealers, county license plate issuing officials, law firms, title agents, etc.) of the Alabama Department of Revenue using the Electronic Title Application Processing System (ETAPS). A request for certificate of cancellation must be accompanied by an application for cancellation (form MVT 5-44E), notice of cancellation (form MVT 5-39E) and either a current Alabama title, manufacturer's certificate of origin (mso), or bond.

**Each Notice of Cancellation of a Certificate of Origin/Alabama Certificate of Title for a Manufactured Home Classified as Real Property (form MVT 5-39E) must be signed by the Judge of Probate, in the county where the manufactured home is located, attesting to the fact that the manufactured home has been recorded in that office as permanently affixed to real property (see Section 32-20-20(b)(3), Code of Alabama 1975).**

There is a twenty dollar (\$20) fee for the cancellation of a manufactured home title (using either the current title or mso) for each side (i.e. side A = \$20 and side B = \$20). When the current owner or lienholder is not properly recorded on a certificate of title, such parties may post a bond by applying through a designated agent to obtain title. A single bond is required for each manufactured home. The bond shall be in an amount equal to fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) for manufactured homes less than ten (10) model years old and twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00) for all manufactured homes ten (10) model years old and older.

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