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MEMORANDUM

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TO: License Plate Issuing Officials

FROM: Amy Bright, Registration Unit Supervisor
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SUBJECT: Changes to the Dealer License Plate Law

Act 2011-554, effective October 1, 2011, provides several changes to the dealer license plate law. These changes include the creation of the dealer transit license plate, which should now be arriving at county licensing offices. The tag type is "DT" and can be found on the "Tag Information" spreadsheet on the Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) website at <http://www.revenue.alabama.gov/motorvehicle/index.html> under the "Reference" menu.

The Act limits the number of dealer license plates that a new or used car dealer can obtain. New or used car dealers who have completed 1,500 or more title applications in the previous regulatory license year may request 25 dealer plates in addition to this amount. A link will be placed on the MVD homepage showing dealerships that meet this qualification.

Wholesalers, rebuilders, and reconditioners may not purchase dealer license plates; however, they may purchase 10 dealer transit license plates. New or used car dealers may also purchase 10 dealer transit license plates.

We have created a document to address questions regarding the changes to the law. You may view the document by clicking on "Dealer & Manufacturer License Plate Information" on the MVD homepage. Please feel free to share this document with your customers who purchase dealer license plates.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the Registration Section at tags@revenue.alabama.gov or (334) 242-9006.