

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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RAFFERTY, SCHWANK, TARTAGLIONE AND EARLL, JANUARY 17, 2012

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 17, 2012

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, providing for transfer of ownership of vehicles  
3 used for human habitation.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

8 § 1111.1. Transfer of ownership of vehicles used for human  
9 habitation.

10 (a) Tax status certification.--If a house coach, house  
11 trailer, mobile home, motor home, truck camper or similar  
12 vehicle that has been anchored to the ground to facilitate  
13 connections with electricity, water and sewerage, is offered for  
14 sale or transfer, the transferor shall obtain a tax status  
15 certification from the tax collection authority of the  
16 municipality in which the vehicle is situated and the tax claim  
17 bureau or equivalent office of the county in which the vehicle  
18 is situated. The tax status certification shall include the

1 following:

2 (1) The parcel number assigned to the vehicle.

3 (2) The amount of current or delinquent taxes owed from  
4 the parcel number.

5 (3) The addresses and telephone numbers of the tax  
6 collection authority and tax claim bureau or equivalent  
7 office.

8 (b) Certification obtained by third party.--The transferor  
9 may request a notary public or other officer empowered to  
10 administer oaths or an issuing agent who is licensed as a  
11 vehicle dealer by the State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers,  
12 Dealers and Salespersons, or its employee, to obtain the tax  
13 status certification on his behalf. The person or entity  
14 obtaining the tax status certification on behalf of the  
15 transferor may collect a nominal fee for each certification.

16 (c) Taxes due.--If taxes are due from the vehicle, the owner  
17 shall pay the taxes in full or cause the taxes to be paid in  
18 full before the sale shall be completed. Payment shall be made  
19 either:

20 (1) to the appropriate authority authorized to accept  
21 payments for delinquent taxes; or

22 (2) by authorizing the appropriate authority to attach  
23 proceeds of the sale of the vehicle.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.