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HOUSE BILL NO. 1817

House Amendments in [] - February 3, 2007

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-600 of the Code of Virginia, relating to exemptions from titling and registration of certain vehicles in the Commonwealth.

Patron Prior to Engrossment—Delegate Suit

Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 46.2-600 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 46.2-600. Owner to secure registration and certificate of title or certificate of ownership.

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter every person who owns a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer, or his authorized attorney-in-fact, shall, before it is operated on any highway in the Commonwealth, register with the Department and obtain from the Department the registration card and certificate of title for the vehicle. Individuals applying for registration shall provide the Department with the residence address of the owner of the vehicle being registered. A business applying for registration shall provide the Department with the street address of the owner or lessee of the vehicle being registered.

At the option of the applicant for registration, the address shown on the title and registration card may be either a post office box or the business or residence address of the applicant.

Unless he has previously applied for registration and a certificate of title or he is exempted under §§ 46.2-619, 46.2-631, and 46.2-1206, every person residing in the Commonwealth who owns a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or his duly authorized attorney-in-fact, shall, within 30 days of the purchase or transfer, apply to the Department for a certificate of ownership.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section, provided such vehicle is registered and titled elsewhere in the United States, nothing in this chapter shall be construed to require titling or registration in the Commonwealth of any vehicle located in the Commonwealth if that vehicle is [either (i) owned in full by registered to] a non-Virginia resident active duty military service member, activated reserve or national guard member, or mobilized reserve or national guard member [stationed or living residing] in Virginia [or (ii) jointly owned by a non-Virginia resident active duty military service member, activated reserve or national guard member, or mobilized reserve or national guard member stationed or living in Virginia and his military dependent as defined in US code, title 37 Pay and Allowances of the Uniformed Services, Chapter 1].