§651. Certificate of title required

1. Application of subchapter. Except as provided in section 652, this subchapter applies to a vehicle at first registration or when a change of registration is required by reason of a sale for consideration.

[PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF).]

2. Renewal. The Secretary of State may not require an application for a certificate of title upon renewal of registration.

[PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF).]

3. Warranty title; antique auto; horseless carriage; antique motorcycle; classic vehicle. The Secretary of State may, on documented and notarized evidence of ownership and payment of a \$40 fee, issue a warranty title to a Maine resident owner of an antique auto, horseless carriage, antique motorcycle or classic vehicle. A warranty title denotes that there are no known liens or encumbrances against the vehicle.

[PL 2011, c. 356, §15 (AMD).]

4. Certificate of salvage. The Secretary of State may issue a certificate of salvage upon surrender of a certificate of title and evidence that a vehicle was declared a total loss by an owner or an insurance company.

[PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF).]

- **5.** Certificate of lien. The Secretary of State shall assign a lien to the first named lienholder, when a certificate of title or a certificate of salvage names a lienholder.
- [PL 1995, c. 645, Pt. A, §6 (AMD); PL 1995, c. 645, Pt. A, §18 (AFF).]
- **6. Manufactured housing.** Beginning October 1, 2007, the Secretary of State shall issue certificates of title for new single-unit manufactured housing beginning with model year 2007. Beginning October 1, 2007 and ending September 30, 2009, the Secretary of State shall issue a certificate of title for used manufactured housing that was previously issued a State of Maine certificate of title. Beginning October 1, 2009, the Secretary of State may issue a certificate of title for used manufactured housing that was previously issued a State of Maine certificate of title or a model year 2007 or later model that was never issued a certificate of title. A certificate of title issued pursuant to this subsection remains in effect unless cancelled pursuant to section 669.
- [PL 2009, c. 435, §9 (AMD).]
- 7. Tiny homes. The Secretary of State shall issue certificates of title for new tiny homes beginning with model year 2020. The Secretary of State shall issue a certificate of title for a used tiny home of any model year that was previously issued a State of Maine certificate of title. A certificate of title issued pursuant to this subsection remains in effect unless cancelled pursuant to section 669.

[PL 2019, c. 650, §4 (NEW).]

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