

1-1 By: Seliger S.B. No. 1817
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 12, 2021; March 26, 2021, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Transportation;
1-4 April 15, 2021, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 15, 2021,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	Nichols	X		
1-10	Seliger	X		
1-11	Alvarado	X		
1-12	Blanco	X		
1-13	Hancock	X		
1-14	Hinojosa	X		
1-15	Kolkhorst	X		
1-16	Perry	X		
1-17	West	X		

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1817 By: Seliger

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to motor vehicle titles.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 501.051, Transportation Code, is amended
1-24 by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

1-25 (d) The department shall place a hold on processing a title
1-26 application for a motor vehicle if the department receives a
1-27 request for a hold accompanied by evidence of a legal action
1-28 regarding ownership of or a lien interest in the motor vehicle. The
1-29 hold shall continue until a final, nonappealable judgment is
1-30 entered in the action or the party requesting the hold requests that
1-31 the hold be removed.

1-32 SECTION 2. Section 501.052, Transportation Code, is amended
1-33 by amending Subsection (e) and adding Subsection (f) to read as
1-34 follows:

1-35 (e) An applicant aggrieved by the determination under
1-36 Subsection (d) may appeal only to the county or district court of
1-37 the county of the applicant's residence. An applicant must file an
1-38 appeal not later than the fifth day after receipt ~~[the date]~~ of the
1-39 assessor-collector's determination. The judge shall try the appeal
1-40 in the manner of other civil cases. All rights and immunities
1-41 granted in the trial of a civil case are available to the interested
1-42 parties. If the department's action is not sustained, the
1-43 department shall promptly issue a title for the vehicle.

1-44 (f) A person may not apply for a hearing under this section
1-45 if the department's decision under Section 501.051 is related to a
1-46 title for a salvage motor vehicle or a nonrepairable motor vehicle,
1-47 as defined by Section 501.091.

1-48 SECTION 3. Section 501.053, Transportation Code, is amended
1-49 by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

1-50 (f) A person may not obtain a title under this section for a
1-51 salvage motor vehicle or a nonrepairable motor vehicle, as defined
1-52 by Section 501.091.

1-53 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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