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A BILL

То	amend section 4503.10 of the Revised Code to	1
	prohibit the display of Social Security numbers on	2
	motor vehicle certificates of registration.	3

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1.	That	section	4503.10	of	the	Revised	Code	be	4
amended to read	as f	ollows:							5

Sec. 4503.10. (A) The owner of every snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, and all-purpose vehicle required to be registered under section 4519.02 of the Revised Code shall file an application for registration under section 4519.03 of the Revised Code. The owner of a motor vehicle, other than a snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, or all-purpose vehicle, that is not designed and constructed by the manufacturer for operation on a street or highway may not register it under this chapter except upon certification of inspection pursuant to section 4513.02 of the Revised Code by the sheriff or chief of police of the municipal or township police with jurisdiction over the political subdivision in which the owner of the motor vehicle resides.

Except as provided in section 4503.103 of the Revised Code, every owner of every other motor vehicle not previously described in

this section and every person mentioned as owner in the last							
certificate of title of a motor vehicle that is operated or driven							
upon the public roads or highways shall cause to be filed each							
year, by mail or otherwise, in the office of the registrar of							
motor vehicles or a deputy registrar, a written or electronic							
application or a preprinted registration renewal notice issued							
under section 4503.102 of the Revised Code, the form of which							
shall be prescribed by the registrar, for registration for the							
following registration year, which shall begin on the first day of							
January of every calendar year and end on the thirty-first day of							
December in the same year. Applications for registration and							
registration renewal notices shall be filed at the times							
established by the registrar pursuant to section 4503.101 of the							
Revised Code. A motor vehicle owner also may elect to renew a							
motor vehicle registration by electronic means using electronic							
signature in accordance with rules adopted by the registrar.							
Except as provided in division (J) of this section, applications							
for registration shall be made on blanks furnished by the							
registrar for that purpose, containing the following information:							

- (1) A brief description of the motor vehicle to be registered, including the name of the manufacturer, the factory number of the vehicle, the year's model, and, in the case of commercial cars, the gross weight of the vehicle fully equipped computed in the manner prescribed in section 4503.08 of the Revised Code;
- (2) The name and residence address of the owner, and the township and municipal corporation in which the owner resides;
- (3) The district of registration, which shall be determined 47 as follows:
- (a) In case the motor vehicle to be registered is used for 49 hire or principally in connection with any established business or 50

numbers provided under this section, but the bureau shall not

place social security numbers on motor vehicle certificates of

inspection a certificate of title or a memorandum certificate

in the applicant's name, the applicant shall present for

(B) Each time the applicant first registers a motor vehicle

registration.

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showing title to the motor vehicle to be registered in the name of the applicant. When a motor vehicle inspection and maintenance program is in effect under section 3704.14 of the Revised Code and rules adopted under it, each application for registration for a vehicle required to be inspected under that section and those rules shall be accompanied by an inspection certificate for the motor vehicle issued in accordance with that section. The application shall be refused if any of the following applies:

- (1) The application is not in proper form.
- (2) The application is prohibited from being accepted by division (D) of section 2935.27, division (A) of section 2937.221, division (A) of section 4503.13, division (B) of section 4507.168, or division (B)(1) of section 4521.10 of the Revised Code.
- (3) A certificate of title or memorandum certificate of title does not accompany the application.
- (4) All registration and transfer fees for the motor vehicle, for the preceding year or the preceding period of the current registration year, have not been paid.
- (5) The owner or lessee does not have an inspection certificate for the motor vehicle as provided in section 3704.14 of the Revised Code, and rules adopted under it, if that section is applicable.

This section does not require the payment of license or registration taxes on a motor vehicle for any preceding year, or for any preceding period of a year, if the motor vehicle was not taxable for that preceding year or period under sections 4503.02, 4503.04, 4503.11, 4503.12, and 4503.16 or Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code. When a certificate of registration is issued upon the first registration of a motor vehicle by or on behalf of the owner, the official issuing the certificate shall indicate the issuance with a stamp on the certificate of title or memorandum

certificate and on the inspection certificate for the motor vehicle, if any. The official also shall indicate, by a stamp or by such other means as the registrar prescribes, on the registration certificate issued upon the first registration of a motor vehicle by or on behalf of the owner the odometer reading of the motor vehicle as shown in the odometer statement included in or attached to the certificate of title. Upon each subsequent registration of the motor vehicle by or on behalf of the same owner, the official also shall so indicate the odometer reading of the motor vehicle as shown on the immediately preceding certificate of registration.

The registrar shall include in the permanent registration record of any vehicle required to be inspected under section 3704.14 of the Revised Code the inspection certificate number from the inspection certificate that is presented at the time of registration of the vehicle as required under this division.

(C) In addition, a charge of twenty-five cents shall be made for each reflectorized safety license plate issued, and a single charge of twenty-five cents shall be made for each county identification sticker or each set of county identification stickers issued, as the case may be, to cover the cost of producing the license plates and stickers, including material, manufacturing, and administrative costs. Those fees shall be in addition to the license tax. If the total cost of producing the plates is less than twenty-five cents per plate, or if the total cost of producing the stickers is less than twenty-five cents per sticker or per set issued, any excess moneys accruing from the fees shall be distributed in the same manner as provided by section 4501.04 of the Revised Code for the distribution of license tax moneys. If the total cost of producing the plates exceeds twenty-five cents per plate, or if the total cost of producing the stickers exceeds twenty-five cents per sticker or

per	set	issued,	the	difference	shall	be	paid	from	the	license	tax	145
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(D) Each deputy registrar shall be allowed a fee of two dollars and twenty-five cents for each application for registration and registration renewal notice the deputy registrar receives, which shall be for the purpose of compensating the deputy registrar for the deputy registrar's services, and such office and rental expenses, as may be necessary for the proper discharge of the deputy registrar's duties in the receiving of applications and renewal notices and the issuing of licenses.

moneys collected pursuant to section 4503.02 of the Revised Code.

- (E) Upon the certification of the registrar, the county 155 sheriff or local police officials shall recover license plates 156 erroneously or fraudulently issued. 157
- (F) Each deputy registrar, upon receipt of any application for registration or registration renewal notice, together with the license fee and any local motor vehicle license tax levied pursuant to Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, shall transmit that fee and tax, if any, in the manner provided in this section, together with the original and duplicate copy of the application, to the registrar. The registrar, subject to the approval of the director of public safety, may deposit the funds collected by those deputies in a local bank or depository to the credit of the "state of Ohio, bureau of motor vehicles." Where a local bank or depository has been designated by the registrar, each deputy registrar shall deposit all moneys collected by the deputy registrar into that bank or depository not more than one business day after their collection and shall make reports to the registrar of the amounts so deposited, together with any other information, some of which may be prescribed by the treasurer of state, as the registrar may require and as prescribed by the registrar by rule. The registrar, within three days after receipt of notification of the deposit of funds by a deputy registrar in a local bank or

depository, shall draw on that account in favor of the treasurer of state. The registrar, subject to the approval of the director and the treasurer of state, may make reasonable rules necessary for the prompt transmittal of fees and for safeguarding the interests of the state and of counties, townships, municipal corporations, and transportation improvement districts levying local motor vehicle license taxes. The registrar may pay service charges usually collected by banks and depositories for such service. If deputy registrars are located in communities where banking facilities are not available, they shall transmit the fees forthwith, by money order or otherwise, as the registrar, by rule approved by the director and the treasurer of state, may prescribe. The registrar may pay the usual and customary fees for such service.

- (G) This section does not prevent any person from making an application for a motor vehicle license directly to the registrar by mail, by electronic means, or in person at any of the registrar's offices, upon payment of a service fee of two dollars and twenty-five cents for each application.
- (H) No person shall make a false statement as to the district of registration in an application required by division (A) of this section. Violation of this division is falsification under section 2921.13 of the Revised Code and punishable as specified in that section.
- (I)(1) Where applicable, the requirements of division (B) of this section relating to the presentation of an inspection certificate issued under section 3704.14 of the Revised Code and rules adopted under it for a motor vehicle, the refusal of a license for failure to present an inspection certificate, and the stamping of the inspection certificate by the official issuing the certificate of registration apply to the registration of and issuance of license plates for a motor vehicle under sections

(J) Application for registration under the international 237 registration plan, as set forth in sections 4503.60 to 4503.66 of 238 the Revised Code, shall be made to the registrar on forms 239 furnished by the registrar. In accordance with international 240

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registration plan guidelines and pursuant to rules adopted by the						
registrar, the forms shall include the following:						
(1) A uniform mileage schedule;	243					
(2) The gross vehicle weight of the vehicle or combined gross	244					
vehicle weight of the combination vehicle as declared by the						
registrant;	246					
(3) Any other information the registrar requires by rule.	247					
Section 2. That existing section 4503.10 of the Revised Code	248					
is hereby repealed.						