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To amend sections 4501.01, 4503.181, 4513.38, and 1
4519.03 and to enact section 4505.072 of the 2
Revised Code to classify street rods and custom 3
vehicles as historical vehicles for motor vehicle 4
registration, certificate of title, and equipment 5
purposes and to eliminate the provision in the 6
Special Vehicle Law that permits owners of certain 7
off-highway motorcycles and all-purpose vehicles 8
to register the motorcycles and vehicles by 9
presenting affidavits of ownership rather than 10
certificates of title. 11

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

Section 1. That sections 4501.01, 4503.181, 4513.38, and 12
4519.03 be amended and section 4505.072 of the Revised Code be 13
enacted to read as follows: 14

Sec. 4501.01. As used in this chapter and Chapters 4503., 15
4505., 4507., 4509., 4510., 4511., 4513., 4515., and 4517. of the 16
Revised Code, and in the penal laws, except as otherwise provided: 17

(A) "Vehicles" means everything on wheels or runners, 18
including motorized bicycles, but does not mean electric personal 19
assistive mobility devices, vehicles that are operated exclusively 20
on rails or tracks or from overhead electric trolley wires, and 21
vehicles that belong to any police department, municipal fire 22
department, or volunteer fire department, or that are used by such 23
a department in the discharge of its functions. 24

(B) "Motor vehicle" means any vehicle, including mobile homes 25
and recreational vehicles, that is propelled or drawn by power 26
other than muscular power or power collected from overhead 27
electric trolley wires. "Motor vehicle" does not include utility 28
vehicles as defined in division (VV) of this section, motorized 29
bicycles, road rollers, traction engines, power shovels, power 30
cranes, and other equipment used in construction work and not 31
designed for or employed in general highway transportation, 32
well-drilling machinery, ditch-digging machinery, farm machinery, 33
and trailers that are designed and used exclusively to transport a 34
boat between a place of storage and a marina, or in and around a 35
marina, when drawn or towed on a public road or highway for a 36
distance of no more than ten miles and at a speed of twenty-five 37
miles per hour or less. 38

(C) "Agricultural tractor" and "traction engine" mean any 39
self-propelling vehicle that is designed or used for drawing other 40
vehicles or wheeled machinery, but has no provisions for carrying 41
loads independently of such other vehicles, and that is used 42
principally for agricultural purposes. 43

(D) "Commercial tractor," except as defined in division (C) 44
of this section, means any motor vehicle that has motive power and 45
either is designed or used for drawing other motor vehicles, or is 46
designed or used for drawing another motor vehicle while carrying 47
a portion of the other motor vehicle or its load, or both. 48

(E) "Passenger car" means any motor vehicle that is designed 49

and used for carrying not more than nine persons and includes any 50
motor vehicle that is designed and used for carrying not more than 51
fifteen persons in a ridesharing arrangement. 52

(F) "Collector's vehicle" means any motor vehicle or 53
agricultural tractor or traction engine that is of special 54
interest, that has a fair market value of one hundred dollars or 55
more, whether operable or not, and that is owned, operated, 56
collected, preserved, restored, maintained, or used essentially as 57
a collector's item, leisure pursuit, or investment, but not as the 58
owner's principal means of transportation. "Licensed collector's 59
vehicle" means a collector's vehicle, other than an agricultural 60
tractor or traction engine, that displays current, valid license 61
tags issued under section 4503.45 of the Revised Code, or a 62
similar type of motor vehicle that displays current, valid license 63
tags issued under substantially equivalent provisions in the laws 64
of other states. 65

(G)(1) "Historical motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle 66
that is over twenty-five years old and is owned solely as a 67
collector's item and for participation in club activities, 68
exhibitions, tours, parades, and similar uses, but that in no 69
event is used for general transportation. "Historical motor 70
vehicle" includes a street rod or a custom vehicle, regardless of 71
whether the street rod or custom vehicle actually is more than 72
twenty-five years old or was manufactured to resemble a vehicle 73
that is over twenty-five years old. 74

(2) As used in this division: 75

(a) "Street rod" means a motor vehicle whose model year was 76
1948 or earlier, or a vehicle that was manufactured after 1948 to 77
resemble a vehicle manufactured before 1949, that additionally has 78
been altered from the manufacturer's original design or has a body 79
constructed of nonoriginal material. 80

(b) "Custom vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is over 81
twenty-five years old whose model year was after 1948, or a 82
vehicle that was manufactured to resemble a vehicle that is over 83
twenty-five years old and of a model year after 1948, that 84
additionally has been altered from the manufacturer's original 85
design or has a body constructed of nonoriginal material. 86

(H) "Noncommercial motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle, 87
including a farm truck as defined in section 4503.04 of the 88
Revised Code, that is designed by the manufacturer to carry a load 89
of no more than one ton and is used exclusively for purposes other 90
than engaging in business for profit. 91

(I) "Bus" means any motor vehicle that has motor power and is 92
designed and used for carrying more than nine passengers, except 93
any motor vehicle that is designed and used for carrying not more 94
than fifteen passengers in a ridesharing arrangement. 95

(J) "Commercial car" or "truck" means any motor vehicle that 96
has motor power and is designed and used for carrying merchandise 97
or freight, or that is used as a commercial tractor. 98

(K) "Bicycle" means every device, other than a tricycle that 99
is designed solely for use as a play vehicle by a child, that is 100
propelled solely by human power upon which any person may ride, 101
and that has two tandem wheels, or one wheel in front and two 102
wheels in the rear, or two wheels in the front and one wheel in 103
the rear, any of which is more than fourteen inches in diameter. 104

(L) "Motorized bicycle" means any vehicle that either has two 105
tandem wheels or one wheel in the front and two wheels in the 106
rear, that is capable of being pedaled, and that is equipped with 107
a helper motor of not more than fifty cubic centimeters piston 108
displacement that produces no more than one brake horsepower and 109
is capable of propelling the vehicle at a speed of no greater than 110
twenty miles per hour on a level surface. 111

(M) "Trailer" means any vehicle without motive power that is 112
designed or used for carrying property or persons wholly on its 113
own structure and for being drawn by a motor vehicle, and includes 114
any such vehicle that is formed by or operated as a combination of 115
a semitrailer and a vehicle of the dolly type such as that 116
commonly known as a trailer dolly, a vehicle used to transport 117
agricultural produce or agricultural production materials between 118
a local place of storage or supply and the farm when drawn or 119
towed on a public road or highway at a speed greater than 120
twenty-five miles per hour, and a vehicle that is designed and 121
used exclusively to transport a boat between a place of storage 122
and a marina, or in and around a marina, when drawn or towed on a 123
public road or highway for a distance of more than ten miles or at 124
a speed of more than twenty-five miles per hour. "Trailer" does 125
not include a manufactured home or travel trailer. 126

(N) "Noncommercial trailer" means any trailer, except a 127
travel trailer or trailer that is used to transport a boat as 128
described in division (B) of this section, but, where applicable, 129
includes a vehicle that is used to transport a boat as described 130
in division (M) of this section, that has a gross weight of no 131
more than three thousand pounds, and that is used exclusively for 132
purposes other than engaging in business for a profit. 133

(O) "Mobile home" means a building unit or assembly of closed 134
construction that is fabricated in an off-site facility, is more 135
than thirty-five body feet in length or, when erected on site, is 136
three hundred twenty or more square feet, is built on a permanent 137
chassis, is transportable in one or more sections, and does not 138
qualify as a manufactured home as defined in division (C)(4) of 139
section 3781.06 of the Revised Code or as an industrialized unit 140
as defined in division (C)(3) of section 3781.06 of the Revised 141
Code. 142

(P) "Semitrailer" means any vehicle of the trailer type that 143

does not have motive power and is so designed or used with another 144
and separate motor vehicle that in operation a part of its own 145
weight or that of its load, or both, rests upon and is carried by 146
the other vehicle furnishing the motive power for propelling 147
itself and the vehicle referred to in this division, and includes, 148
for the purpose only of registration and taxation under those 149
chapters, any vehicle of the dolly type, such as a trailer dolly, 150
that is designed or used for the conversion of a semitrailer into 151
a trailer. 152

(Q) "Recreational vehicle" means a vehicular portable 153
structure that meets all of the following conditions: 154

(1) It is designed for the sole purpose of recreational 155
travel. 156

(2) It is not used for the purpose of engaging in business 157
for profit. 158

(3) It is not used for the purpose of engaging in intrastate 159
commerce. 160

(4) It is not used for the purpose of commerce as defined in 161
49 C.F.R. 383.5, as amended. 162

(5) It is not regulated by the public utilities commission 163
pursuant to Chapter 4919., 4921., or 4923. of the Revised Code. 164

(6) It is classed as one of the following: 165

(a) "Travel trailer" means a nonself-propelled recreational 166
vehicle that does not exceed an overall length of thirty-five 167
feet, exclusive of bumper and tongue or coupling, and contains 168
less than three hundred twenty square feet of space when erected 169
on site. "Travel trailer" includes a tent-type fold-out camping 170
trailer as defined in section 4517.01 of the Revised Code. 171

(b) "Motor home" means a self-propelled recreational vehicle 172
that has no fifth wheel and is constructed with permanently 173

installed facilities for cold storage, cooking and consuming of 174
food, and for sleeping. 175

(c) "Truck camper" means a nonself-propelled recreational 176
vehicle that does not have wheels for road use and is designed to 177
be placed upon and attached to a motor vehicle. "Truck camper" 178
does not include truck covers that consist of walls and a roof, 179
but do not have floors and facilities enabling them to be used as 180
a dwelling. 181

(d) "Fifth wheel trailer" means a vehicle that is of such 182
size and weight as to be movable without a special highway permit, 183
that has a gross trailer area of four hundred square feet or less, 184
that is constructed with a raised forward section that allows a 185
bi-level floor plan, and that is designed to be towed by a vehicle 186
equipped with a fifth-wheel hitch ordinarily installed in the bed 187
of a truck. 188

(e) "Park trailer" means a vehicle that is commonly known as 189
a park model recreational vehicle, meets the American national 190
standard institute standard A119.5 (1988) for park trailers, is 191
built on a single chassis, has a gross trailer area of four 192
hundred square feet or less when set up, is designed for seasonal 193
or temporary living quarters, and may be connected to utilities 194
necessary for the operation of installed features and appliances. 195

(R) "Pneumatic tires" means tires of rubber and fabric or 196
tires of similar material, that are inflated with air. 197

(S) "Solid tires" means tires of rubber or similar elastic 198
material that are not dependent upon confined air for support of 199
the load. 200

(T) "Solid tire vehicle" means any vehicle that is equipped 201
with two or more solid tires. 202

(U) "Farm machinery" means all machines and tools that are 203
used in the production, harvesting, and care of farm products, and 204

includes trailers that are used to transport agricultural produce 205
or agricultural production materials between a local place of 206
storage or supply and the farm, agricultural tractors, threshing 207
machinery, hay-baling machinery, corn shellers, hammermills, and 208
machinery used in the production of horticultural, agricultural, 209
and vegetable products. 210

(V) "Owner" includes any person or firm, other than a 211
manufacturer or dealer, that has title to a motor vehicle, except 212
that, in sections 4505.01 to 4505.19 of the Revised Code, "owner" 213
includes in addition manufacturers and dealers. 214

(W) "Manufacturer" and "dealer" include all persons and firms 215
that are regularly engaged in the business of manufacturing, 216
selling, displaying, offering for sale, or dealing in motor 217
vehicles, at an established place of business that is used 218
exclusively for the purpose of manufacturing, selling, displaying, 219
offering for sale, or dealing in motor vehicles. A place of 220
business that is used for manufacturing, selling, displaying, 221
offering for sale, or dealing in motor vehicles shall be deemed to 222
be used exclusively for those purposes even though snowmobiles or 223
all-purpose vehicles are sold or displayed for sale thereat, even 224
though farm machinery is sold or displayed for sale thereat, or 225
even though repair, accessory, gasoline and oil, storage, parts, 226
service, or paint departments are maintained thereat, or, in any 227
county having a population of less than seventy-five thousand at 228
the last federal census, even though a department in a place of 229
business is used to dismantle, salvage, or rebuild motor vehicles 230
by means of used parts, if such departments are operated for the 231
purpose of furthering and assisting in the business of 232
manufacturing, selling, displaying, offering for sale, or dealing 233
in motor vehicles. Places of business or departments in a place of 234
business used to dismantle, salvage, or rebuild motor vehicles by 235
means of using used parts are not considered as being maintained 236

for the purpose of assisting or furthering the manufacturing, 237
selling, displaying, and offering for sale or dealing in motor 238
vehicles. 239

(X) "Operator" includes any person who drives or operates a 240
motor vehicle upon the public highways. 241

(Y) "Chauffeur" means any operator who operates a motor 242
vehicle, other than a taxicab, as an employee for hire; or any 243
operator whether or not the owner of a motor vehicle, other than a 244
taxicab, who operates such vehicle for transporting, for gain, 245
compensation, or profit, either persons or property owned by 246
another. Any operator of a motor vehicle who is voluntarily 247
involved in a ridesharing arrangement is not considered an 248
employee for hire or operating such vehicle for gain, 249
compensation, or profit. 250

(Z) "State" includes the territories and federal districts of 251
the United States, and the provinces of Canada. 252

(AA) "Public roads and highways" for vehicles includes all 253
public thoroughfares, bridges, and culverts. 254

(BB) "Manufacturer's number" means the manufacturer's 255
original serial number that is affixed to or imprinted upon the 256
chassis or other part of the motor vehicle. 257

(CC) "Motor number" means the manufacturer's original number 258
that is affixed to or imprinted upon the engine or motor of the 259
vehicle. 260

(DD) "Distributor" means any person who is authorized by a 261
motor vehicle manufacturer to distribute new motor vehicles to 262
licensed motor vehicle dealers at an established place of business 263
that is used exclusively for the purpose of distributing new motor 264
vehicles to licensed motor vehicle dealers, except when the 265
distributor also is a new motor vehicle dealer, in which case the 266
distributor may distribute at the location of the distributor's 267

licensed dealership. 268

(EE) "Ridesharing arrangement" means the transportation of 269
persons in a motor vehicle where the transportation is incidental 270
to another purpose of a volunteer driver and includes ridesharing 271
arrangements known as carpools, vanpools, and buspools. 272

(FF) "Apportionable vehicle" means any vehicle that is used 273
or intended for use in two or more international registration plan 274
member jurisdictions that allocate or proportionally register 275
vehicles, that is used for the transportation of persons for hire 276
or designed, used, or maintained primarily for the transportation 277
of property, and that meets any of the following qualifications: 278

(1) Is a power unit having a gross vehicle weight in excess 279
of twenty-six thousand pounds; 280

(2) Is a power unit having three or more axles, regardless of 281
the gross vehicle weight; 282

(3) Is a combination vehicle with a gross vehicle weight in 283
excess of twenty-six thousand pounds. 284

"Apportionable vehicle" does not include recreational 285
vehicles, vehicles displaying restricted plates, city pick-up and 286
delivery vehicles, buses used for the transportation of chartered 287
parties, or vehicles owned and operated by the United States, this 288
state, or any political subdivisions thereof. 289

(GG) "Chartered party" means a group of persons who contract 290
as a group to acquire the exclusive use of a passenger-carrying 291
motor vehicle at a fixed charge for the vehicle in accordance with 292
the carrier's tariff, lawfully on file with the United States 293
department of transportation, for the purpose of group travel to a 294
specified destination or for a particular itinerary, either agreed 295
upon in advance or modified by the chartered group after having 296
left the place of origin. 297

(HH) "International registration plan" means a reciprocal 298
agreement of member jurisdictions that is endorsed by the American 299
association of motor vehicle administrators, and that promotes and 300
encourages the fullest possible use of the highway system by 301
authorizing apportioned registration of fleets of vehicles and 302
recognizing registration of vehicles apportioned in member 303
jurisdictions. 304

(II) "Restricted plate" means a license plate that has a 305
restriction of time, geographic area, mileage, or commodity, and 306
includes license plates issued to farm trucks under division (J) 307
of section 4503.04 of the Revised Code. 308

(JJ) "Gross vehicle weight," with regard to any commercial 309
car, trailer, semitrailer, or bus that is taxed at the rates 310
established under section 4503.042 or 4503.65 of the Revised Code, 311
means the unladen weight of the vehicle fully equipped plus the 312
maximum weight of the load to be carried on the vehicle. 313

(KK) "Combined gross vehicle weight" with regard to any 314
combination of a commercial car, trailer, and semitrailer, that is 315
taxed at the rates established under section 4503.042 or 4503.65 316
of the Revised Code, means the total unladen weight of the 317
combination of vehicles fully equipped plus the maximum weight of 318
the load to be carried on that combination of vehicles. 319

(LL) "Chauffeured limousine" means a motor vehicle that is 320
designed to carry nine or fewer passengers and is operated for 321
hire on an hourly basis pursuant to a prearranged contract for the 322
transportation of passengers on public roads and highways along a 323
route under the control of the person hiring the vehicle and not 324
over a defined and regular route. "Prearranged contract" means an 325
agreement, made in advance of boarding, to provide transportation 326
from a specific location in a chauffeured limousine at a fixed 327
rate per hour or trip. "Chauffeured limousine" does not include 328
any vehicle that is used exclusively in the business of funeral 329

directing. 330

(MM) "Manufactured home" has the same meaning as in division 331
(C)(4) of section 3781.06 of the Revised Code. 332

(NN) "Acquired situs," with respect to a manufactured home or 333
a mobile home, means to become located in this state by the 334
placement of the home on real property, but does not include the 335
placement of a manufactured home or a mobile home in the inventory 336
of a new motor vehicle dealer or the inventory of a manufacturer, 337
remanufacturer, or distributor of manufactured or mobile homes. 338

(OO) "Electronic" includes electrical, digital, magnetic, 339
optical, electromagnetic, or any other form of technology that 340
entails capabilities similar to these technologies. 341

(PP) "Electronic record" means a record generated, 342
communicated, received, or stored by electronic means for use in 343
an information system or for transmission from one information 344
system to another. 345

(QQ) "Electronic signature" means a signature in electronic 346
form attached to or logically associated with an electronic 347
record. 348

(RR) "Financial transaction device" has the same meaning as 349
in division (A) of section 113.40 of the Revised Code. 350

(SS) "Electronic motor vehicle dealer" means a motor vehicle 351
dealer licensed under Chapter 4517. of the Revised Code whom the 352
registrar of motor vehicles determines meets the criteria 353
designated in section 4503.035 of the Revised Code for electronic 354
motor vehicle dealers and designates as an electronic motor 355
vehicle dealer under that section. 356

(TT) "Electric personal assistive mobility device" means a 357
self-balancing two non-tandem wheeled device that is designed to 358
transport only one person, has an electric propulsion system of an 359

average of seven hundred fifty watts, and when ridden on a paved 360
level surface by an operator who weighs one hundred seventy pounds 361
has a maximum speed of less than twenty miles per hour. 362

(UU) "Limited driving privileges" means the privilege to 363
operate a motor vehicle that a court grants under section 4510.021 364
of the Revised Code to a person whose driver's or commercial 365
driver's license or permit or nonresident operating privilege has 366
been suspended. 367

(VV) "Utility vehicle" means a self-propelled vehicle 368
designed with a bed, principally for the purpose of transporting 369
material or cargo in connection with construction, agricultural, 370
forestry, grounds maintenance, lawn and garden, materials 371
handling, or similar activities. "Utility vehicle" includes a 372
vehicle with a maximum attainable speed of twenty miles per hour 373
or less that is used exclusively within the boundaries of state 374
parks by state park employees or volunteers for the operation or 375
maintenance of state park facilities. 376

Sec. 4503.181. (A) As used in this section, "historical motor 377
vehicle" means any motor vehicle that is more than twenty-five 378
years old and that is owned solely as a collector's item and for 379
participation in club activities, exhibitions, tours, parades, and 380
similar uses, but in no event is used for general transportation. 381
"Historical motor vehicle" includes a street rod or a custom 382
vehicle, regardless of whether the street rod or custom vehicle 383
actually is more than twenty-five years old or was manufactured to 384
resemble a vehicle that is over twenty-five years old. 385

(B) In lieu of the annual license tax levied in sections 387
4503.02 and 4503.04 of the Revised Code, a license fee of ten 388
dollars is levied on the operation of an historical motor vehicle. 389

(C) A person who owns an historical motor vehicle and applies 390

for license plates under this section shall execute an affidavit 391
that the vehicle for which plates are requested is owned and 392
operated solely for the purposes enumerated in division (A) of 393
this section, and also setting forth in the affidavit that the 394
vehicle has been inspected in accordance with applicable 395
requirements of Chapter 4513. of the Revised Code and ~~found~~ is 396
safe to operate on the public roads and highways in the state. A 397
person who owns an historical motor vehicle and desires to display 398
model year license plates on the vehicle as permitted by this 399
section shall execute at the time of registration an affidavit 400
setting forth that the model year license plates the person 401
desires to display on the person's historical motor vehicle are 402
legible and serviceable license plates that originally were issued 403
by this state. No registration issued pursuant to this section 404
need specify the weight of the vehicle. 405

(D) A vehicle registered under this section may display 406
historical vehicle, street rod, or custom vehicle license plates, 407
as applicable, issued by the registrar of motor vehicles or model 408
year license plates procured by the applicant. Historical vehicle 409
license plates shall not bear a date, but shall bear the 410
inscription "Historical Vehicle--Ohio" and the registration 411
number, which shall be shown thereon. The owner of a street rod 412
may request issuance of street rod license plates, which shall not 413
bear a date, but shall be inscribed with identifying words or 414
markings approved by the registrar. The owner of a custom vehicle 415
may request issuance of custom vehicle license plates, which shall 416
not bear a date, but shall be inscribed with identifying words or 417
markings approved by the registrar. Model year license plates 418
shall be legible and serviceable license plates issued by this 419
state and inscribed with the date of the year corresponding to the 420
model year when the vehicle was manufactured. Notwithstanding 421
section 4503.21 of the Revised Code, only one model year license 422
plate is required to be displayed on the rear of the historical 423

motor vehicle at all times. The registration certificate and the 424
historical vehicle license plates issued by the registrar shall be 425
kept in the vehicle at all times the vehicle is operated on the 426
public roads and highways in this state. 427

Notwithstanding section 4503.21 of the Revised Code, the 428
owner of an historical motor vehicle that was manufactured for 429
military purposes and that is registered under this section may 430
display the assigned registration number of the vehicle by 431
painting the number on the front and rear of the vehicle. The 432
number shall be painted, in accordance with the size and style 433
specifications established for numerals and letters shown on 434
license plates in section 4503.22 of the Revised Code, in a color 435
that contrasts clearly with the color of the vehicle, and shall be 436
legible and visible at all times. Upon application for 437
registration under this section and payment of the license fee 438
prescribed in division (B) of this section, the owner of such an 439
historical motor vehicle shall be issued historical vehicle 440
license plates. The registration certificate and at least one such 441
license plate shall be kept in the vehicle at all times the 442
vehicle is operated on the public roads and highways in this 443
state. If ownership of such a vehicle is transferred, the 444
transferor shall surrender the historical vehicle license plates 445
or transfer them to another historical motor vehicle the 446
transferor owns, and remove or obliterate the registration numbers 447
painted on the vehicle. 448

(E) Historical vehicle, street rod, custom vehicle, and model 449
year license plates are valid without renewal as long as the 450
vehicle for which they were issued or procured is in existence. 451
Historical vehicle, street rod, and custom vehicle plates are 452
issued for the owner's use only for such vehicle unless later 453
transferred to another appropriate historical motor vehicle owned 454
by that person. In order to effect such a transfer, the owner of 455

the historical motor vehicle that originally displayed the 456
historical vehicle, street rod, or custom vehicle plates shall 457
comply with division (C) of this section. In the event of a 458
transfer of title, the transferor shall surrender historical 459
vehicle, street rod, or custom vehicle license plates or transfer 460
them to another appropriate historical motor vehicle owned by the 461
transferor, but model year license plates may be retained by the 462
transferor. The registrar may revoke license plates issued under 463
this section, for cause shown and after hearing, for failure of 464
the applicant to comply with this section. Upon revocation, 465
historical vehicle, street rod, and custom vehicle license plates 466
shall be surrendered; model year license plates may be retained, 467
but no longer are valid for display on the vehicle. 468

(F) The owner of an historical motor vehicle bearing 469
historical vehicle, street rod, or custom vehicle license plates 470
may replace them with model year license plates by surrendering 471
the historical vehicle, street rod, or custom vehicle license 472
plates and motor vehicle certificate of registration to the 473
registrar. The owner, at the time of registration, shall execute 474
an affidavit setting forth that the model year plates are legible 475
and serviceable license plates that originally were issued by this 476
state. Such an owner is required to pay the license fee prescribed 477
by division (B) of this section, but the owner is not required to 478
have the historical motor vehicle reinspected under division (C) 479
of this section. 480

A person who owns an historical motor vehicle bearing model 481
year license plates may replace them with historical vehicle, 482
street rod, or custom vehicle license plates, as applicable, by 483
surrendering the motor vehicle certificate of registration and 484
applying for issuance of historical vehicle, street rod, or custom 485
vehicle license plates. Such a person is required to pay the 486
license fee prescribed by division (B) of this section, but the 487

person is not required to have the historical motor vehicle 488
reinspected under division (C) of this section. 489

Sec. 4505.072. The certificate of title for a street rod or 490
custom vehicle shall contain the actual model year of the vehicle 491
or the model year that the body of the vehicle was constructed to 492
resemble, as stated by the owner. If the certificate of title for 493
a street rod or custom vehicle contains the model year that the 494
body of the vehicle was constructed to resemble, the entry 495
"r-replica" shall follow the final digit of the model year on the 496
certificate of title. 497

Sec. 4513.38. No person shall be prohibited from owning or 498
operating a licensed collector's vehicle or historical motor 499
vehicle that is equipped with a feature of design, type of 500
material, or article of equipment that was not in violation of any 501
motor vehicle equipment law of this state or of its political 502
subdivisions in effect during the calendar year the vehicle was 503
manufactured, and no licensed collector's vehicle or historical 504
motor vehicle shall be prohibited from displaying or using any 505
such feature of design, type of material, or article of equipment. 506

No person shall be prohibited from owning or operating a 507
licensed collector's vehicle or historical motor vehicle for 508
failing to comply with an equipment provision contained in Chapter 509
4513. of the Revised Code or in any state rule that was enacted or 510
adopted in a year subsequent to that in which the vehicle was 511
manufactured, and no licensed collector's vehicle or historical 512
motor vehicle shall be required to comply with an equipment 513
provision enacted into Chapter 4513. of the Revised Code or 514
adopted by state rule subsequent to the calendar year in which it 515
was manufactured. No political subdivision shall require an owner 516
of a licensed collector's vehicle or historical motor vehicle to 517
comply with equipment provisions contained in laws or rules that 518

were enacted or adopted subsequent to the calendar year in which 519
the vehicle was manufactured, and no political subdivision shall 520
prohibit the operation of a licensed collector's vehicle or 521
historical motor vehicle for failure to comply with any such 522
equipment laws or rules. 523

For purposes of this section, the year of manufacture for a 524
historical vehicle that is a street rod or custom vehicle shall be 525
the model year contained on the certificate of title for the 526
vehicle issued in accordance with section 4505.072 of the Revised 527
Code. 528

Sec. 4519.03. (A) The owner of every snowmobile, off-highway 529
motorcycle, and all-purpose vehicle required to be registered 530
under section 4519.02 of the Revised Code shall file an 531
application for registration with the registrar of motor vehicles 532
or a deputy registrar, on blanks furnished by the registrar for 533
that purpose and containing all of the following information: 534

(1) A brief description of the snowmobile, off-highway 535
motorcycle, or all-purpose vehicle, including the year, make, 536
model, and the vehicle identification number; 537

(2) The name, residence, and business address of the owner; 538

(3) A statement that the snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, 539
or all-purpose vehicle is equipped as required by section 4519.20 540
of the Revised Code and any rule adopted under that section. The 541
statement shall include a check list of the required equipment 542
items in the form the registrar shall prescribe. 543

The application shall be signed by the owner of the 544
snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, or all-purpose vehicle and 545
shall be accompanied by a fee as provided in division (C) of 546
section 4519.04 of the Revised Code. 547

If the application is not in proper form, or if the vehicle 548

for which registration is sought does not appear to be equipped as 549
required by section 4519.20 of the Revised Code or any rule 550
adopted under that section, the registration shall be refused, and 551
no registration sticker, license plate, or validation sticker 552
shall be issued. 553

(B) ~~Except as provided in this division, no~~ No certificate of 554
registration or renewal of a certificate of registration shall be 555
issued for an off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle 556
required to be registered under section 4519.02 of the Revised 557
Code, and no certificate of registration issued under this chapter 558
for an off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle that is sold 559
or otherwise transferred shall be transferred to the new owner of 560
the off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle as permitted by 561
division (B) of section 4519.05 of the Revised Code, unless a 562
certificate of title has been issued under this chapter for the 563
motorcycle or vehicle, and the owner or new owner, as the case may 564
be, presents a physical certificate of title or memorandum 565
certificate of title for inspection at the time the owner or new 566
owner first submits a registration application, registration 567
renewal application, or registration transfer application for the 568
motorcycle or vehicle if a physical certificate of title or 569
memorandum certificate has been issued by a clerk of a court of 570
common pleas. If, under sections 4519.512 and 4519.58 of the 571
Revised Code, a clerk instead has issued an electronic certificate 572
of title for the applicant's off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose 573
vehicle, that certificate may be presented for inspection at the 574
time of first registration in a manner prescribed by rules adopted 575
by the registrar. ~~In the case of an off-highway motorcycle or~~ 576
~~all-purpose vehicle that was purchased prior to October 1, 2005,~~ 577
~~and for which a certificate of title has not been issued, the~~ 578
~~owner shall not be required to present a physical certificate of~~ 579
~~title or memorandum certificate of title or an electronic~~ 580
~~certificate of title for the motorcycle or vehicle but instead may~~ 581

~~present a signed affidavit of ownership in a form prescribed by 582
the registrar. The affidavit shall include, at a minimum, the date 583
of purchase, make, model, and vehicle identification number of the 584
motorcycle or vehicle. If no vehicle identification number has 585
been assigned to the off-highway motorcycle or all purpose 586
vehicle, then the serial number of the motorcycle or vehicle shall 587
be presented at the time of application. 588~~

(C) When the owner of an off-highway motorcycle or 589
all-purpose vehicle first registers it in the owner's name, and a 590
certificate of title has been issued for the motorcycle or 591
vehicle, the owner shall present for inspection a physical 592
certificate of title or memorandum certificate of title showing 593
title to the off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle in the 594
name of the owner if a physical certificate of title or memorandum 595
certificate has been issued by a clerk of a court of common pleas. 596
If, under sections 4519.512 and 4519.58 of the Revised Code, a 597
clerk instead has issued an electronic certificate of title for 598
the applicant's off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle, 599
that certificate may be presented for inspection at the time of 600
first registration in a manner prescribed by rules adopted by the 601
registrar. ~~In the case of an off-highway motorcycle or all purpose 602
vehicle that was purchased prior to October 1, 2005, and for which 603
a certificate of title has not been issued, the owner shall not be 604
required to present a physical certificate of title or memorandum 605
certificate of title or an electronic certificate of title for the 606
motorcycle or vehicle but instead may present a signed affidavit 607
of ownership in a form prescribed by the registrar. The affidavit 608
shall include, at a minimum, the date of purchase, make, model, 609
and vehicle identification number of the motorcycle or vehicle. If 610
no vehicle identification number has been assigned to the 611
off-highway motorcycle or all purpose vehicle, then the serial 612
number of the motorcycle or vehicle shall be presented at the time 613
of application. If, when the owner of such an off-highway 614~~

motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle first makes application to 615
register it in the owner's name, the application is not in proper 616
form or the certificate of title or memorandum certificate of 617
title does not accompany the registration or, in the case of an 618
electronic certificate of title ~~or ownership affidavit~~, it is not 619
presented in a manner prescribed by the registrar, the 620
registration shall be refused, and neither a certificate of 621
registration nor a registration sticker, license plate, or 622
validation sticker shall be issued. When a certificate of 623
registration and registration sticker, license plate, or 624
validation sticker are issued upon the first registration of an 625
off-highway motorcycle or all-purpose vehicle by or on behalf of 626
the owner, the official issuing them shall indicate the issuance 627
with a stamp on the certificate of title, or memorandum 628
certificate of title, ~~or affidavit~~, or, in the case of an 629
electronic certificate of title, an electronic stamp or other 630
notation as specified in rules adopted by the registrar. 631

(D) Each deputy registrar shall be allowed a fee of three 632
dollars and fifty cents for each application or renewal 633
application received by the deputy registrar, which shall be for 634
the purpose of compensating the deputy registrar for services, and 635
office and rental expense, as may be necessary for the proper 636
discharge of the deputy registrar's duties in the receiving of 637
applications and the issuing of certificates of registration. 638

Each deputy registrar, upon receipt of any application for 639
registration, together with the registration fee, shall transmit 640
the fee, together with the original and duplicate copy of the 641
application, to the registrar in the manner and at the times the 642
registrar, subject to the approval of the director of public 643
safety and the treasurer of state, shall prescribe by rule. 644

Section 2. That existing sections 4501.01, 4503.181, 4513.38, 645

and 4519.03 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.

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