

House Bill 1395

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 40-3-21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 application for first certificate of title for motor vehicles, so as to provide for acceptance of
3 electronic copies of certificates of title issued in another state or country; to provide for
4 related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 40-3-21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to application for
8 first certificate of title for motor vehicles, is amended by revising subsection (c) as follows:

9 "(c)(1) If the application refers to a vehicle last previously registered in another state or
10 country, the application shall contain or be accompanied by:

11 (A) Any certificate of title issued by the other state or country; and

12 (B) Any other information and documents the commissioner reasonably requires to
13 establish the ownership of the vehicle and the existence or nonexistence of security
14 interests in it and liens against it.

15 (2) If the application refers to a vehicle last previously registered in another state and if
16 the applicant is the last previously registered owner in such state, the application need not
17 contain the name and address of the person from whom the vehicle was acquired.

18 (3) For purposes of satisfying the requirements of this subsection, a county tag agent
19 shall accept an electronic copy of a certificate of title issued by another state or country,
20 provided that such electronic copy has been certified by the issuing state or country as
21 complying with the laws and regulations relative to the issuance of certificate of title of
22 such state or country."

23 **SECTION 2.**

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.