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**Registration and Title Bulletin # 011-17  
Policy and Procedure**

**TO:** All County Tax Assessor-Collectors

**SUBJECT:** **Elimination of Registration Period Designation by the Vehicle Owner**

**PURPOSE**

To provide updated guidance on acceptable reasons for modification of the registration expiration date.

**DETAILS**

Senate Bill 2075, effective September 1, 2017, repeals Transportation Code, §502.1585, which allowed vehicle owners with more than one vehicle to designate matching registration periods.

Beginning September 1, 2017, vehicle owners with more than one vehicle may no longer designate matching registration periods. Statute allows the registration expiration date to be changed only when needed to sync registration and specialty license plate expiration dates. Modifying the registration expiration date for any other reason violates state law.

Programming of the Registration and Title System (RTS) will be completed in the future to limit changing the registration expiration date to syncing the registration and specialty license plate expiration dates.

**COUNTY ACTION**

The registration expiration date on the *Enter registration expiration month and year* REG029 screen in the RTS should be modified only to establish a single expiration date for the vehicle registration and a specialty license plate.

**CONTACT**

If you have any questions, please contact your local Texas Department of Motor Vehicles Regional Service Center.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jeremiah Kuntz".

Jeremiah Kuntz, Director  
Vehicle Titles and Registration Division

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