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**Registration and Title Bulletin # 011-20
Policy and Procedure**

TO: All County Tax Assessor-Collectors and Motor Vehicle Dealers

SUBJECT: Revised Title Revocation Rule for a First Sale

PURPOSE

To provide revised information on a title revocation for a first sale.

DETAILS

Effective July 1, 2020, an amendment to Title 43 of the Texas Administrative Code, §217.11, extends the timeframe for a licensed motor vehicle dealer to request the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) revoke the title application for a first sale from 21 days to 90 days. The existing process for a licensed motor vehicle dealer to request the revocation has not changed. The *Title Revocation Affidavit for a First Sale* (Form VTR-17) has been revised with the new timeframe.

A title application cannot be revoked after 90 days, and this deadline cannot be circumvented through a lawsuit. The Texas title should be used to facilitate any subsequent transfer if a properly completed Form VTR-17 is not submitted to the TxDMV within 90 days.

COUNTY ACTION

Instruct licensed motor vehicle dealers requesting revocation of a first sale to submit Form VTR-17 and all required documents to the department within 90 days of the date of sale.

MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER ACTION

Ensure a completed Form VTR-17 and all required documents are submitted to the department within 90 days of the date of sale when requesting revocation of a first sale. If the request is not submitted within 90 days, obtain the properly assigned Texas title from the purchaser to sell the vehicle.

CONTACT

If you have any questions, please contact your local TxDMV 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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