SENATE BILL No. 392

By Committee on Transportation

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9 AN ACT establishing the on-line motor vehicle financial security verifi-10 cation and compliance system; amending K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-173 and 11 repealing the existing section.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) On or before January 1, 2011, the secretary of the department of revenue, in consultation with the commissioner of insurance, shall develop and implement an on-line motor vehicle financial security verification and compliance system for the purpose of verifying compliance with the financial security requirements of K.S.A. 40-3101 et seq., and amendments thereto.

- (b) The system established must be:
- (1) The system most likely to:
 - (A) Reduce the number of uninsured motorists in this state;
- (B) operate reliably;
- 24 (C) be cost-effective;
 - (D) sufficiently protect the privacy of the motor vehicle owners;
 - (E) sufficiently safeguard the security and integrity of information provided by insurance companies;
 - (F) identify and employ a method of compliance that improves public convenience; and
 - (G) provide information that is accurate and current; and
 - (2) capable of being audited by an independent auditor.
 - (c) The secretary of revenue in consultation with the commissioner of insurance, shall select and enter into a contract with an agent to develop, implement, operate and maintain the system.
 - (d) The secretary of revenue is hereby authorized to adopt rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

New Sec. 2. (a) Each insurance company providing motor vehicle liability insurance policies in this state shall provide the necessary information for those policies, on a daily basis, to allow the agent selected under section 1, and amendments thereto, to carry out the provisions of section 1, and amendments thereto. The commissioner of insurance shall adopt rules and regulations requiring insurance companies to comply with the provisions of this subsection.

- (b) The agent is entitled only to information that is at that time available from the insurance company and that is determined by the secretary of revenue to be necessary to carry out the provisions of section 1, and amendments thereto.
- (c) The information obtained under this section is confidential and the agent may use such information only for a purpose authorized under section 1, and amendments thereto. Such information may not be used for a commercial purpose. The provisions of this subsection shall expire on July 1, 2015, unless the legislature reviews and reenacts this provision pursuant to K.S.A. 45-229, and amendments thereto, prior to July 1, 2015.
- (d) A person who knowingly uses the information obtained under this section for any purpose not authorized under this section, upon conviction, shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.
- Sec. 3. On and after January 1, 2011, K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-173 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-173. (a) An application for registration of a vehicle as provided in article 1 of chapter 8 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated and amendments thereto, shall not be accepted unless the person making such application shall exhibit:
- (1) A receipt showing that such person has paid all personal property taxes levied against such person for the preceding year, including taxes upon such vehicle, except that if such application is made before June 21 such receipt need show payment of only one-half the preceding year's tax; or
- (2) evidence that such vehicle was assessed for taxation purposes by a state agency, or was assessed as stock in trade of a merchant or manufacturer or was exempt from taxation under the laws of this state.
- (b) An application for registration of a vehicle as provided in article 1 of chapter 8 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated shall not be accepted if the records of the county treasurer show that the applicant is delinquent and owes personal property taxes levied against the applicant for any preceding year.
- (c) An application for registration or renewal of registration of a motor vehicle shall not be accepted until the applicant signs a certification, provided by the director of motor vehicles, certifying that the applicant has and will maintain, during the period of registration, the required insurance, self insurance or other financial security required pursuant to K.S.A. 40-3104 and amendments thereto.
- (d) An application for registration or renewal of registration of a vehicle shall not be accepted if the applicant is unable to provide proof of the insurance, self insurance or other financial security required by article 31 of chapter 40 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated. Proof of insurance shall be verified by examination of the insurance card or other documentation issued by an insurance company, a certificate of self insurance

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issued by the commissioner, a binder of insurance, a certificate of insurance, a motor carrier identification number issued by the state corpora-2 3 tion commission, proof of insurance for vehicles covered under a fleet 4 policy, a commercial policy covering more than one vehicle or a policy of insurance required by K.S.A. 40-3104, and amendments thereto and for vehicles used as part of a drivers education program, a dealership contract 6 and a copy of a motor vehicle liability insurance policy issued to a school district or accredited nonpublic school. Examination of a photocopy or 9 facsimile of any of these documents shall suffice for verification of registration or renewal. Proof of insurance may also be verified on-line or 10 electronically and the commissioner of insurance may require, by duly 12 adopted rules and regulations, any motor vehicle liability insurance com-13 pany authorized to do business in this state to provide verification of insurance in that manner. Any motor vehicle liability insurance company 14 15 which is providing verification of insurance on-line or electronically on the day preceding the effective date of this act may continue to do so in 16 the same manner and shall be deemed to be in compliance with this section in accordance with the provisions of sections 1 and 2, and amendments thereto.

- 20 Sec. 4. On and after January 1, 2011, K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-173 is 21 hereby repealed.
- 22 Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 23 publication in the Kansas register.