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LEGISLATIVE BILL 225

Introduced by Guereca, 7.

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Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend section 60-168,
- 2 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change application
- 3 requirements for duplicate certificates of title; and to repeal the
- 4 original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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Section 1. Section 60-168, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

3 60-168 (1) In the event of a lost or mutilated certificate of title, the owner of the vehicle or the holder of a lien on the vehicle shall 4 5 apply, upon a form prescribed by the department, to the department or to any county treasurer for a duplicate certificate of title and shall pay 6 the fee prescribed by section 60-156. The application shall be signed and 7 sworn to by the person making the application or a person authorized to 8 9 sign under section 60-151. Thereupon the county treasurer, with the approval of the department, or the department shall issue a duplicate 10 certificate of title to the person entitled to receive the certificate of 11 title. If the records of the title have been destroyed pursuant to 12 13 section 60-152, the county treasurer shall issue a duplicate certificate of title to the person entitled to receive the same upon such showing as 14 the county treasurer may deem sufficient. If the applicant cannot produce 15 16 such proof of ownership, he or she may apply directly to the department 17 and submit such evidence as he or she may have, and the department may, if it finds the evidence sufficient, authorize the county treasurer to 18 issue a duplicate certificate of title. A duplicate certificate of title 19 so issued shall show only those unreleased liens of record. The new 20 purchaser shall be entitled to receive an original certificate of title 21 upon presentation of the assigned duplicate copy of the certificate of 22 23 title, properly assigned to the new purchaser, to the county treasurer 24 prescribed in section 60-144.

(2) Any purchaser of a vehicle for which a certificate of title was lost or mutilated may at the time of purchase require the seller of the same to indemnify him or her and all subsequent purchasers of the vehicle against any loss which he, she, or they may suffer by reason of any claim presented upon the original certificate. In the event of the recovery of the original certificate of title by the owner, he or she shall forthwith surrender the same to the county treasurer or the department for

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- 1 cancellation.
- 2 Sec. 2. Original section 60-168, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 3 Nebraska, is repealed.