AN ACT relating to security interests in motor vehicles.

## Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

→ Section 1. KRS 186A.195 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) As used in this chapter, a title lien statement is a document to be submitted by the secured party to the county clerk. Upon submission of the title lien statement, the county clerk shall use the information contained therein to note the security interest on the certificate of title. The county clerk may make title lien statements available to the general public. However, public availability of such statements is not necessary or effective to perfect a security interest in property required to be registered or titled in accordance with this chapter.
- (2) If a title lien statement and the required fees accompany the application for first title of any property in the name of an owner, the county clerk shall, *no later than five* (5) days after receipt of the title lien statement and the required fee, enter the information required by KRS 186A.190(6) into the automated system so as to produce a certificate of title in Frankfort bearing in addition to any other required information, the information designated by KRS 186A.190(6). The clerk shall thereby produce, in accordance with design of the automated system, a certificate of registration, if required.
- (3) If a title lien statement and the required fees are not received at the time of application for first title of any property in the name of the owner due to owner's residency in another county, or if the form prescribed by KRS 186A.060 indicates a pending lien but the title lien statement does not accompany the application for title, the county clerk shall enter into the Automated Vehicle Information System (AVIS) the name and address of the lienholder and the county where the lien is to be noted or that a lien is pending. The clerk shall indicate a title is not to be issued until the lien has been noted and fees, according to KRS 186A.190, paid in the county of the owner's residence or in thirty (30) days. The county clerk shall then issue the

registration. The county clerk in the county of the owner's residence shall, <u>no later</u> <u>than five (5) days</u> after receiving the title lien statement and fees contained in KRS 186A.190, enter into the Automated Vehicle Information System (AVIS) the date of lien notation and the notation number, thus enabling the system to produce the title in Frankfort.

- (4) Should a certificate of title be issued after the thirty (30) day period has expired without the notation of a security interest thereon, or should there be no provision made for a lien to be noted in the county of residence of the debtor within thirty (30) days and the title issued within that time, the secured party shall request from the debtor, and the debtor shall submit to the secured party, the certificate of title. The secured party shall submit the certificate of title along with the title lien statement to the county clerk of the county of the debtor's residence. The county clerk shall, *no later than five (5) days after receiving documentation*, then enter the information required by KRS 186A.190(6) into the Automated Vehicle Information System (AVIS) and note on the certificate of title in the appropriate section the information on the certificate of title, the county clerk shall return the title to the debtor.
- (5) The security interest noted on the certificate of title shall be deemed perfected at the time the security interest attaches (KRS 355.9-203) if the secured party tenders the required fees and submits a properly completed title lien statement and application for first title or, in the case of property previously titled in the name of its debtor, the certificate of title to the appropriate county clerk within <u>thirty (30)</u>[twenty (20)] days of attachment. Otherwise, the security interest shall be deemed perfected at the time that such fees are tendered and such documents are submitted to the appropriate county clerk.

Section 2. KRS 186A.200 is amended to read as follows:

(1) With respect to a vehicle previously titled in the name of its debtor, the secured

party shall, within <u>thirty (30)</u>[twenty (20)] days after execution of the security agreement, obtain the current certificate of title in the name of the debtor, with no more than one (1) prior lien indicated thereon, and present to the county clerk the certificate of title, which the secured party shall have the right to obtain from the debtor, together with the title lien statement and the required fees in KRS 186A.190 to the county clerk.

- (2) For failure to present both the title and title lien statement within the time prescribed by subsection (1) of this section, the secured party shall pay a penalty of two dollars (\$2) to the county clerk as a prerequisite for noting the security interest on the title.
- (3) The county clerk shall, within five (5) days of receipt of the necessary information and required fees, enter the information required by KRS 186A.190(6) into the automated system.
- (4) The county clerk shall record upon the title in the appropriate section the information designated by KRS 186A.190(6).