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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Steven S. Howitt*

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act ensuring the timely release of a vehicle title.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>	<i>1/14/2025</i>

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act ensuring the timely release of a vehicle title.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 90D of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting in Section 15 the following subsections:-

3 (f) Any lienholder in possession of a motor vehicle title shall provide the title to the  
4 purchaser or lessee of the vehicle within 7 days of full payment of the vehicle’s purchase price,  
5 lease buyout, or financing agreement.

6 (g) Failure to comply with this requirement shall result in a penalty of \$500 per day of  
7 non-compliance, to be assessed by the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

8 (h) The Registry of Motor Vehicles shall promulgate regulations to ensure compliance  
9 with this section.