

## Office of Attorney General State of Oklahoma

## ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION 2019-23A

John W. Maile, Executive Director Oklahoma Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission 421 NW 13th #330 Oklahoma City, OK 73103

Dear Executive Director Maile:

This office has received your request for a written Attorney General Opinion regarding action that the Oklahoma Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission intends to take pursuant to consent agreement with used motor vehicle dealer licensee UD-6305. The licensee failed to properly assign certificates of title to vehicles sold on 21 occasions. The Commission proposes to fine the licensee \$100 per violation for a total fine of \$2,100.

Oklahoma law authorizes the Commission to fine a licensee up to \$100 per incident when the licensee "fails to properly reassign the certificate of title to a used motor vehicle." 47 O.S.Supp.2018, § 585(B)(2). The Commission may reasonably believe that the proposed action is necessary to deter future violations.

It is, therefore, the official opinion of the Attorney General that the Oklahoma Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission has adequate support for the conclusion that this action advances the State's policy of protecting the public by requiring that used motor vehicle dealers properly transfer certificates of title.

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