Section: 4. Motor Vehicle Registration Requirements

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General:
- Vehicles which are involved in a property settlement due to divorce can be transferred to a spouse.

Requirements:
- A certified copy of the property settlement. The property settlement must indicate a description of the vehicle. The VIN number need not be listed as long as enough information is listed to clearly establish the identity of the vehicle in question. The property settlement does not have to be signed by a judge nor recorded in the Clerk of Court’s records, but must be signed by all parties involved.
- The title must be submitted with the supporting documents from the lienholder if there is a lien to be assumed. No new lien instrument is required. The Louisiana title is not required if there is no lien to be assumed. The original title must be submitted if the vehicle was registered in another state.
- An odometer disclosure statement, when applicable, signed by the recipient is required.

Fees:
- Title and handling fees.
- A $10.00 fee to record the same lien on the new title (when applicable).
- Plate fee - A new plate must be purchased with credit allowed on the unused portion of the license plate if the vehicle being transferred has an automobile license plate.
- $3.00 transfer plate fee
- No taxes shall be due if there is a lien to be assumed by the spouse.