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Department Revenue Division		
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Statutory Authority for Promulgating Rules Ark. Code Ann. 26-18-301 and Act 974 of 1997		
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•	Adopted by State Agency	8/20/97
CERTIFICATION OF AUTHORIZED OFFICER		
I Hereby Certify That The Attached Rules Were Adopted In Compliance with Act 434 of 1967 As Amended.		
	Signature	
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Director of the Arkansas of Finance Department Administration, acting in his capacity as the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, and the Commissioner of Revenue, acting in his capacity as the Director's agent responsible for the administration of the Permanent Automobile Licensing Program, hereby promulgates the following emergency regulation. This regulation is necessary to timely implement the provisions of Act 974 of 1997 which adopted a streamlined vehicle registration procedure. This regulation is promulgated as an emergency regulation, as authorized by Ark. Code Ann. § 25-15-204(b). The statutory authority for the promulgation of this regulation is found at Ark. Code Ann. § 27-14-1020 and Section 19 of Act 974 of 1997.

EMERGENCY REGULATION 1997-5

- (1) In order to assure the implementation of Act 974 of 1997 within the time frames set by law, the Streamlined Registration Steering Committee, established by the Department of Finance and Administration, shall have the authority to review and authorize advance expenditures made by the counties which are directly related to, and required for implementation of the Act.
- (2) "Advance expenditures" are essential expenditures made by the counties to implement Act 974 of 1997 before the Systems Inventory Team of the Streamlined Registration Steering Committee has completed the county systems inventory.
- (3) Eligible advance expenditures are to be limited to those costs incurred for computer hardware and software, programming, systems and data conversation, and implementation. Expenditures for improvements to real property, such as upgrading electrical service or installing raised flooring to facilitate computerization are not eligible.
- (4) Any county wishing to make advance expenditures must submit a proposal to the Streamlined Registration Steering Committee prior to incurring any obligations. Proposals should be submitted by letter to Mr. Fred Porter, Administrator of the Office of Motor Vehicles, P. O. Box 1272, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203. The proposal must describe the goods or services to be purchased, state the estimated costs, and explain the need for the expenditures. Written notice of both approved and disapproved expenditures will be provided to the counties.

Upon delivery of the approved goods or services, invoices for payment must be submitted to the committee for review and approval before payment will be made. Approved expenditures are to be forwarded by the committee to the Revenue Services Division, Office of Financial and Management Services for payment from funds appropriated for such expenditures.

(5) Questions should be directed to Mr. Porter at the address shown above or by calling (501) 682-4630.

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STATEMENT OF IMMINENT PERIL

Act 974 of 1997 significantly alters the way motor vehicles are registered in Arkansas. Some of the changes are effective beginning January 1, 1998 while the remaining changes will be effective January 1, 1999. The county assessors and collectors of the various counties must make major changes in their offices to comply with Act 974, including the purchase of computer hardware, computer software, programming, systems conversion, and data Although Act 974 provides that the state will conversion. ultimately bear the costs for these changes, the county assessors and collectors must have some way to determine whether expenditure will be reimbursed by the state. Without this emergency regulation, these county officials will be unable to make the necessary purchases required to comply with the provision of Therefore, the Director of the Department of Act 974 of 1997. Finance and Administration finds that imminent peril to the public welfare requires the immediate adoption of this rule and that this is designed to ensure that the streamlined vehicle registration process, as adopted by Act 974 of 1997, can be implemented within the time frames set out in that Act.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

To comply with Act 884 of 1995, please complete the following Financial Impact Statement and file with the questionnaire and proposed rules.

SHORT TITLE OF THIS RULE: Emergency Regulation 1997-3 (Motor Vehicle Registration).

- 1. Does this proposed, amended, or repealed rule or regulation have a financial impact?

 Yes: No: XX
- 2. If you believe that the development of a financial impact statement is so speculative as to be cost prohibited, please explain.
- 3. If the purpose of this rule or regulation is to implement a federal rule or regulation, please give the incremental cost for implementing the regulation. Does Not Apply

1995-96 Fiscal Year	1996-97 Fiscal Year	
General Revenue:	General Revenue:	
Federal Funds:	Federal Funds:	
Cash Funds:	Cash Funds:	
Special Revenue:	Special Revenue:	
Other:		
Total:	Total:	
Does Not Apply	Does Not Apply	
 What is the total estimated or rule or regulation? None 	cost by fiscal year to any party subject to the, proposed, amended, or repealed	
1997-98 Fiscal Year	1998-99 Fiscal Year	
None	None STOP A	
5. What is the total estimated co	ost by fiscal year to the agency to implement this regulation?	
1997-98 Fiscal Year	1998-99 Fiscal Year	
No additional cost	No additional cost	