

Senate Bill 357

By: Senator Hudgens of the 47th

**AS PASSED SENATE**

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT**

1 To amend Code Section 43-47-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
 2 definitions relative to the "Used Motor Vehicle Dealers' and Used Motor Vehicle Parts  
 3 Dealers' Registration Act," so as to redefine the term "rebuilder"; to amend Code Section  
 4 40-3-37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to salvaged or rebuilt motor  
 5 vehicles, inspections, fees, exemption of motorcycles, and glider kits, so as to change certain  
 6 provisions relating to inspections of salvaged or rebuilt motor vehicles and related fees; to  
 7 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Code Section 43-47-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions  
 11 relative to the "Used Motor Vehicle Dealers' and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers'  
 12 Registration Act," is amended by striking paragraph (11) and inserting in lieu thereof the  
 13 following:

14 "(11) 'Rebuilder' means any person, partnership, limited liability company, firm, or  
 15 corporation engaged in the business of buying more than one ~~more than three~~ used,  
 16 salvage, or wrecked motor vehicles per year ~~per year~~ for the purpose of restoring or  
 17 rebuilding them with used or new motor vehicle parts, or both, to be sold as motor  
 18 vehicles."

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 Code Section 40-3-37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to salvaged or  
 21 rebuilt motor vehicles, inspections, fees, exemption of motorcycles, and glider kits, is  
 22 amended by striking paragraph (1) of subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof the  
 23 following:

24 "(b)(1) Upon receipt of an application for a certificate of title on a salvaged or rebuilt  
 25 motor vehicle, the commissioner shall promptly conduct an initial inspection on each  
 26 such motor vehicle prior to the issuance of a certificate of title for the motor vehicle.

1 Upon receipt of an application for a certificate of title on a recovered stolen motor vehicle  
2 which has been stripped of:

- 3 (A) Substantially all its interior parts;
- 4 (B) Engine;
- 5 (C) Transmission;
- 6 (D) All doors;
- 7 (E) Complete soft top assembly including roof mechanism;
- 8 (F) Front clip assembly (fenders, hood, and bumper); or
- 9 (G) Cab and bed of a pick-up truck,

10 the commissioner shall promptly conduct an initial inspection on each such motor vehicle  
11 prior to the issuance of a certificate of title for the motor vehicle. The initial inspection  
12 shall include, but shall not be limited to, verification of the vehicle identification number,  
13 verification of the bills of sale or title for the major components, verification in regard to  
14 rebuilt vehicles that the word 'rebuilt' is permanently affixed as required by subsection  
15 (d) of this Code section, verification that the vehicle was rebuilt in the State of Georgia,  
16 and, if the vehicle has been repaired, verification that the motor vehicle conforms to all  
17 safety equipment standards required by law. The commissioner shall be authorized to  
18 charge a fee of ~~\$50.00~~ \$100.00 for each initial inspection of each motor vehicle  
19 inspected. In the event a third or subsequent reinspection is required for any one motor  
20 vehicle under this Code section, the commissioner shall be authorized to charge a fee of  
21 ~~\$50.00~~ \$100.00 for the third and each subsequent reinspection. The commissioner may  
22 conduct any such initial inspection and any required reinspections even though the motor  
23 vehicle may have been previously inspected under this Code section."

### 24 SECTION 3.

25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.