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Opinion re 29 M.R.S.A. § 895-A, re unclaimed vehicles ~~left~~ for repair

You ask whether, under § 895-A, sub-§2, vehicles older than 1975 model year should be titled under 29 M.R.S.A. § 2363. The answer is no.

Sub-§2 provides that the "Secretary of State, upon presentation of sufficient evidence by any person to whom title has passed under sub-§1, (relating to unclaimed vehicles left for repair), shall issue to that person . . . a certificate of title to that motor vehicle."

Section 2363, provides that the Certificate of Title and Anti-Theft Act apply only to 1975 or later model year vehicles. There is no "certificate of title" in this State from vehicles of 1974 model year or older, nor has there been any provision at all, in this State for titling such vehicles. Sub-§2 is therefore not applicable to such older vehicles.

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