

February 27, 2025

Representative Evan Shanley, Chairman Committee on State Government and Elections Rhode Island House of Representatives 82 Smith Street Providence, RI 02903

RE: Letter of Support – H 5458

Chairman Shanley & Committee Members,

I write to you today in support of H 5458, a bill to modernize Electronic Registration and Titling services in the State of Rhode Island.

CHAMP Titles is a Software as a Service ("SaaS") product company working with state governments to provide electronic title and registration services, as well as to fully modernize DMVs. Our services are currently live in four states and are proud of the significant benefits our solutions have brought to those states – to the DMVs, residents, auto dealers, and lenders. We work closely with Tyler Technologies, a long-time trusted digital government partner of the State of Rhode Island.

CHAMP and Tyler have recently signed a Statement of Work with the RI DMV to bring this same, cutting-edge solution to the State of Rhode Island. Every stakeholder in the vehicle titling and registration process will benefit from these titling services. For example:

- Vehicle dealers' processes are simplified by providing (through their service provider partners) the ability to easily upload and electronically transmit all documentation related to vehicle sales to the DMV.
- DMV staff review is streamlined with tools to curate and pre-review submitted documentation, which allows them to quickly approve transactions and flags inaccurate information or potentially fraudulent transactions.
- Lenders are provided a secure and completely digital method for performing all necessary lien actions, all in real-time.
- Residents will not only benefit from a greatly expedited titling and registration process, but in the future, they may also have the option to have a fully transactable digital title.

Specifically, HB 5458 facilitates adoption of these services by providing guidelines for the handling and treatment of electronic liens and titles, to enable the DMV to promulgate related rules, and to fully encourage adoption of these electronic transactions.

I urge you to support House Bill 5458 so that the people of Rhode Island can have the DMV experience that they deserve.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

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