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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 676

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Cooney of Sabattus.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Including Surviving Spouse of Owner under Certain Motor Vehicle Laws.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 29, § 151, amended. Section 151 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 12 of chapter 360 of the public laws of 1971, is further amended to read as follows:

§ 151. Certificate not transferable; notice of transfer

Upon the transfer of ownership, other than a transfer to his surviving spouse, of any vehicle, its registration shall expire and the person in whose name such vehicle is registered shall forthwith return the certificate of registration to the Secretary of State with a written notice containing the date of the transfer of ownership and the name, place of residence and address of the vendee and a description of the vehicle, including its motor, serial, or vehicle identification number.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 29, § 153, amended. Section 153 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 14 of chapter 360 of the public laws of 1971, is further amended to read as follows:

§ 153. Proration after September 1st

On any application for registration applied for by an owner or his surviving spouse of a vehicle, not including a log hauler or traction engine, during the period between the first day of September and the 31st day of December, ½ the registration fee shall be charged.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 29, § 154, amended. Section 154 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 4 of chapter 394 of the public laws of 1971, is further amended to read as follows:

§ 154. Unused plates

The owner, or his surviving spouse, who returns number plates with an affidavit that they have never been used and the Secretary of State is satisfied that the number plates have never been used, shall be refunded the registration fee paid.

- Sec. 4. R. S., T. 36, § 1482, sub-§ 5, ¶ E, additional. Subsection 5 of section 1482 of Title 36 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 17 of the public laws of 1969, is further amended by adding a new paragraph E, to read as follows:
 - E. For the purposes of this subsection the term, "owner" shall include his surviving spouse.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the title.