

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 259

House of Representatives, February 2, 1979

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Lancaster of Kittery.

Cosponsor: Mr. Gould of Old Town.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Increase Certain Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes.

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

**36 MRSA § 1482, sub-§ 1, ¶ C, first ¶**, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 588, § 7, is further amended to read:

**C. Motor vehicles.** For the privilege of operating a motor vehicle upon the public ways, each motor vehicle, other than a stock race car, to be so operated shall be subject to such excise tax as follows: A sum equal to 24 mills on each dollar of the maker's list price for the first or current year of model, 17½ mills for the 2nd year, 13½ mills for the 3rd year, 10 mills for the 4th year, 6½ mills for the 5th year and 4 mills for the 6th and succeeding years. The minimum tax for a motor vehicle other than bicycle with motor attached shall be ~~\$5~~ **\$10**, for bicycle with motor attached, ~~\$2.50~~ **\$5**. The excise tax on a stock race car shall be \$5. The maximum tax on and after the 7th year of model for an automobile, but not a bus or motorized home, shall be ~~\$15~~ **\$25**.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to raise the minimum excise tax for motor vehicles to \$10 and for bicycles with motor attached to \$5, and to raise the maximum tax on or after the 7th year of model to \$25.