

NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Storm of Sherman.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Operation of Farm Trucks.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 19, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 19 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 383 of the public laws of 1955, and as amended by chapters 408 and 411 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

'The annual fee for registration of farm motor trucks, having 2 ax es only, when such trucks are used primarily for transportation of agricultural commodities, supplies or equipment to be used in connection with the operation of a farm or farms owned, operated or occupied by the registrant, shall be as follows:

From 9,001 pounds gross weight to 11,000 pounds gross weight \$21	
From 11,001 pounds gross weight to 14,000 pounds gross weight \$32	
From 14,001 pounds gross weight to 16,000 pounds gross weight \$43	
From 16,001 pounds gross weight to 18,000 pounds gross weight \$64.	

The term "agricultural commodities" shall include logs, lumber and pulp wood cut on a farm or farms owned, operated or occupied by the registrant. Farm motor trucks registered under this section may receive a short-term permit in accordance with the provisions of this section by paying a percentage of the difference between the amount paid for farm motor truck registration and the annual fee for the desired tonnage in accordance with the permit table contained in this section. Farm trucks so registered shall be operated on the public highways only within a radius of 65 miles from the main entrance of the farm where such vehicle is customarily kept. The Secretary of State shall issue a registration plate or plates so designed that a farm motor truck registered under this section may be distinguished from commercial vehicles otherwise registered under the provisions of this section. Farm trucks so registered shall have the name of the town in which the excise tax has been paid printed in letters not less than 4 inches in height on the door on the left side of the eab of the truck. Trucks which are used on a substantially daily delivery schedule on established routes are not included as "farm trucks." Any person fraudulently obtaining a farm truck license shall be fined upon conviction \$50. Any person using a truck with a license plate marked for any purposes other those authorized by this section shall be fined not less than \$100 nor more than \$500.'