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Presented by Mr. Crosby of Kennebunk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Revising the Motor Vehicle Dealer Registration Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 5, § 2301, sub-§ 1, amended. The 10th line from the end of subsection 1 of section 2301 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes is repealed as follows:

~~Maine Motor Vehicle Dealer Registration Board~~

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 29, § 295, repealed and replaced. Section 295 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 295. Powers and duties

It shall be the duty of the board to examine all applications for new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer, loaner or transporter plates presented to the Secretary of State and, in accordance with this Title, order the Secretary of State to issue or to refuse to issue such new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer, loaner or transporter registration certificates. The board may delegate authority to the Secretary of State to issue renewal registrations that are considered to be unquestionable under the rules established by the board. The board is further empowered to order the Secretary of State to suspend or revoke, in accordance with this Title, the certificate of registration and plates of any new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer, transporter or loaner plates already issued.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 29, § 296, additional. Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 296, to read as follows:

§ 296. Rules and regulations

The board is authorized and empowered to promulgate and establish rules, regulations and standards, not contrary to the laws of the State, to effectuate the purposes of the law relating to new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer, transporter and loaner registration.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 29, §§ 331 - 332, repealed and replaced. Section 331, as amended by section 22 of chapter 494 of the public laws of 1967, and section 332 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 331. Dealer registration plates ; application ; fees

Every manufacturer or dealer in new or used cars, motor trucks or truck tractors may, instead of registering each car, motor truck or truck tractor owned or controlled by him, make application upon a blank provided by the Secretary of State for a general distinguishing number, color or mark. The Secretary of State shall forthwith present said application to the board. The board, if satisfied that the applicant will be actively engaged in the business of buying and selling of cars, motor trucks or truck tractors, and with the other facts stated in the application, and that the applicant meets the minimum standards set forth, or set by the board, shall order the Secretary of State to issue a certificate of registration. Such certificate of registration shall contain the name, place of residence and business of the applicant and the general distinguishing number, color or mark assigned to him and made in such form as the Secretary of State may determine, and all vehicles owned or controlled by such applicant shall be regarded as registered under such general distinguishing number, color or mark until sold or exchanged or used for hire.

To be eligible for the renewal of such car, motor truck or truck tractor dealer registration plates, the applicant must maintain in this State a permanent place of business where said applicant is engaged in the business of buying and selling cars, motor trucks or truck tractors, and must continue to meet the minimum standards herein set forth or by those set by the board.

To qualify as a dealer in new cars, motor trucks or truck tractors for the purpose of this Title, an applicant must possess a franchise contract from a manufacturer or cars, motor trucks or truck tractors and furnish the board with a certificate from said manufacturer or its distributor that said contract is in force, and must maintain a garage to the minimum standards established by the board, and must keep employed a full-time mechanic and must be equipped to perform the usual and normal repair and servicing of cars, motor trucks or truck tractors. Said facilities may be upon or adjacent to a lot where selling will be done and books and records are kept and which are devoted actively to the car, motor truck or truck tractor business in which the repair of cars, motor trucks or truck tractors is subordinate or incidental to the business of buying and selling or exchanging of the same, all in accordance with the rules, regulations and standards promulgated and established by the board.

To qualify as a dealer in used cars, motor trucks or truck tractors for the purpose of this Title, an applicant must maintain a garage to the minimum standards established by the board, and must keep employed a fulltime mechanic, and must be equipped to perform the usual and normal repair and servicing of cars, motor trucks or truck tractors. Said facilities may be upon or adjacent to a lot where selling will be done and books and records are kept and which are devoted actively to the car, motor truck or truck tractor business, in which the repair of cars, motor trucks or truck tractors is subordinate or incidental to the business of buying, selling or exchanging of the same; all in accordance with the rules, regulations and standards promulgated and established by the board.

The requirements as to dealers in used cars, motor trucks or truck tractors pertaining to repair and servicing facilities and mechanics shall not apply to present holders of car, motor truck or truck tractor dealer registration plates who were holders on September 21, 1963, or to holders of transporter registration plates who did file evidence as required by law of at least 12 bona fide sales of motor vehicles during the 12 months preceding September 21, 1963.

The annual fee for every such certificate of registration shall be \$100. The Secretary of State shall furnish the applicant with 4 registration number plates free of cost, and there may be issued to any such applicant 5 similar plates, in addition to the 4 plates so issued, upon payment of \$10 for each such additional plate. Upon payment of \$5 per plate, additional plates may be furnished. The number of additional plates to be issued in each instance shall be determined by the board. Plates shall be furnished to replace lost or mutilated plates for \$1 each. On application for registration, or for additional plates applied for during the period between the first day of September and the 31st day of December in any year, $\frac{1}{2}$ of the registration fee shall be charged.

New or used car dealers or new or used motor truck or truck tractor dealers, who have qualified, shall give the Secretary of State at least 30 days' written notice of their intention to move their place of business, except where fire, flood or other disaster has suddenly rendered their place of business unusable, in which case they shall notify the Secretary of State as soon as possible after said disaster.

§ 332. Transporter registration plates; application; fee

1. Application. Garage owners, body shops, trailer dealers, semi-trailer dealers, dealers in mobile homes, finance companies, banks, and junk dealers may make application upon a blank provided by the Secretary of State for a transporter registration certificate and plates instead of registering each vehicle owned by them or temporarily in their custody, to be used for the transportation or delivery of such vehicles. The Secretary of State shall forthwith present said application to the board. The board, if satisfied with the facts stated in the application, shall order the Secretary of State to issue a certificate of registration. Such enumeration shall be deemed a partial enumeration and shall not operate to exclude other persons, firms or corporations from

making such application, provided the transportation and delivery of such vehicles is an ordinary and usual incident to the operation of their businesses.

2. Fees. The annual fee for every such certificate of registration shall be \$50. The Secretary of State shall furnish the applicant with 2 registration number plates free of cost. Upon payment of \$10 per plate, additional plates may be furnished and the number of any additional plates to be issued shall be determined by the board.

New car dealer or used car dealer registration holders, who find having transporter plates a necessity, may purchase the same for the cost of additional plates without paying the transporter certificate of registration fee. Plates shall be furnished to replace lost or mutilated plates for \$1 each. On application for registration, or for additional plates applied for during the period between the first day of September and the 31st day of December in any year, $\frac{1}{2}$ of the registration fee shall be charged.

Transporter plate holders shall give the Secretary of State at least 30 days' written notice of their intention to move their place of business, except where fire, flood or other disaster has suddenly rendered their place of business unusable, in which case they shall notify the Secretary of State as soon as possible after said disaster.

Sec. 5. R. S., T. 29, §§ 332-A - 332-B, additional. Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 2 new sections 332-A and 332-B, to read as follows:

§ 332-A. Equipment dealer registration plates; application; fee

Every manufacturer or dealer in new or used heavy equipment or new or used farm machinery may, instead of registering each piece of equipment or farm machinery owned or controlled by him, make application upon a blank provided by the Secretary of State for a general distinguishing number, color or mark. The Secretary of State shall forthwith present said application to the board. The board, if satisfied that the applicant will be actively engaged in the business of buying and selling of heavy equipment or farm machinery, and with the other facts stated in the application, and that the applicant meets the minimum standards set forth or those set by the board, shall order the Secretary of State to issue a certificate of registration. Such certificate of registration shall contain the name, place of residence and business of the applicant and the general distinguishing number, color or mark assigned to him and made in such form as the Secretary of State may determine, and all such vehicles owned or controlled by such applicant shall be regarded as registered under such general distinguishing number, color or mark until sold or exchanged or used for hire.

To be eligible for the renewal of such equipment dealer or farm machinery dealer registration plates, the applicant must maintain in this State a permanent place of business where said applicant is engaged in the business of buying and selling of heavy equipment or farm machinery and must continue to meet the minimum standards set forth, including those set by the board.

To qualify as an equipment dealer or farm machinery dealer for the purpose of this Title, the applicant must be actively engaged in the business of buying, selling or exchanging of heavy equipment or farm machinery and must maintain a garage to the minimum standards established by the board, and must keep employed a full-time mechanic and must be equipped to perform the usual and normal repair and servicing of heavy equipment or farm machinery. Said facilities may be upon or adjacent to a lot where selling will be done and books and records are kept and be devoted actively to the heavy equipment or farm machinery business, in which the repair of said heavy equipment or farm machinery is subordinate or incidental to the business of buying, selling or exchanging of the same, all in accordance with the rules, regulations and standards promulgated and established by the board.

The annual fee for every such certificate of registration shall be \$50. The Secretary of State shall furnish the applicant with 2 registration plates free of cost. Upon payment of \$10 per plate, additional plates may be furnished and the number of any additional plates to be issued shall be determined by the board. Plates shall be furnished to replace lost or mutilated plates for \$1 each.

On application for registration or for additional plates applied for during the period between the first day of September and the 31st day of December in any year, $\frac{1}{2}$ of the registration fee shall be charged.

Heavy equipment dealers and farm machinery dealers shall give the Secretary of State at least 30 days' written notice of their intention to move their place of business, except where fire, flood or other disaster has suddenly rendered their place of business unusable, in which case they shall notify the Secretary of State as soon as possible after said disaster.

§ 332-B. Loaner plates ; application ; fee

Body shops, transmission shops and general repair garages, which find it necessary to loan cars to their customers while the customer's car is being repaired, may make application upon a blank provided by the Secretary of State for a loaner registration certificate and plate instead of registering each vehicle owned by them, to be used for the loaning of such vehicles. The Secretary of State shall forthwith present said application to the board. The board, if satisfied with the facts stated in the application, shall order the Secretary of State to issue a certificate of registration. The annual fee for every such certificate of registration shall be \$50. The Secretary of State shall furnish the applicant with 2 registration number plates free of cost. Upon payment of \$10 per plate, additional plates may be furnished and the number of any additional plates to be issued shall be determined by the board. Plates shall be furnished to replace lost or mutilated plates for \$1 each.

New car dealers or used car dealers, who find having loaner plates a necessity, may purchase the same for the cost of additional plates, without paying the loaner certificate or registration fee.

On application for registration, or for additional plates applied for during the period between the first day of September and the 31st day of December in any year, $\frac{1}{2}$ of the registration fee shall be charged.

Loaner plate holders shall give the Secretary of State at least 30 days' written notice of their intention to move their place of business, except where fire, flood or other disaster has suddenly rendered their place of business unusable, in which case they shall notify the Secretary of State as soon as possible after said disaster.

Sec. 6. R. S., T. 29, §§ 334 - 335, repealed and replaced. Sections 334 and 335 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 334. Denial, suspension or revocation of plates

1. Notification. When the board, after examining an application for new motor vehicle dealer plates, used motor vehicle dealer plates, motorcycle dealer plates, boat trailer dealer plates, equipment dealer plates, transporter or loaner registration plates, decides to order the Secretary of State not to issue same, it shall notify said applicant in writing of its decision and of time and place of hearing when said applicant may appear and show cause why such new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer, transporter or loaner registration plates should not be denied.

2. Reasons. The board may review any new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer, transporter or loaner registration granted and, after notice and hearing, may order the Secretary of State to suspend or revoke any such registration plates for any of the following reasons:

A. No permanent place of business; moves without notification. On proof that a new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer or transporter registration holder no longer maintains a permanent place for the conduct of his business, or moves his place of business without notifying the Secretary of State at least 30 days prior to date of move, or ceases to meet the minimum standards established by sections 331, 332 and 332-A or set by the board. Failure to notify the Secretary of State of a move may result in a suspension until such time as an investigation has been made to determine whether the new location meets the minimum standards established by sections 331, 332 and 332-A or by the board.

B. Repairs. On proof that the holder of a loaner plate registration no longer maintains a permanent place of business for repairing vehicles, or moves his place of business without notifying the Secretary of State at least 30 days prior to date of move, or ceases to meet the minimum standards established by section 332-B or set by the board. Failure to notify the Secretary of State of a move may result in a suspension until such time as the investigation has been made to determine whether the new location meets the minimum standards established by section 332-B or set by the board.

C. Not actively engaged in buying or selling. On proof that a new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer or equipment dealer is no longer actively engaged in the business of buying and selling motor vehicles.

D. Repairing. On proof that the holder of a loaner registration is no longer actively engaged in the business of repairing motor vehicles.

E. Records. On proof that a new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer or holder of transporter registration fails to keep and submit any records required by law.

F. Loaning cars. On proof that the holder of a loaner registration fails to retain proper records as required by section 336, subsection 10; or proof that they are loaning cars to persons other than their customers while the customer's car is in their care and custody.

G. Violations. On proof that the new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer, transporter or loaner plate holder has been convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of sections 295 to 340 or of section 832 or Title 17, section 3203.

H. Use of plates. On proof that a new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer, transporter or loaner plate holder has used or permitted the use of his plate on a motor vehicle or trailer not owned or controlled by the dealer or holder of loaner or transporter plates. The use of any such plate on any vehicle as stated herein shall be prima facie evidence that such was permitted by the dealer or holder of transporter or loaner plates.

I. Temporary plates. On proof that a new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer or transporter plate holder has issued or permitted the issuance of a temporary plate for use on motor vehicles not sold by the dealer or holder of transporter plates. The use of any such plate on any vehicle shall be prima facie evidence that such use was permitted by the dealer or holder of transporter plates.

J. Limitation of use. On proof that the holder of a transporter or loaner registration certificate has violated any limitations of use imposed on such certificates under sections 332 and 332-B, or by the board.

K. Selling stolen motor vehicle. On proof that new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer or transporter plate holder has been knowingly selling stolen motor vehicles or trailers. In which event his registration may be revoked for a period not to exceed 5 years.

L. Personal use. On proof that transporter or loaner plates were used by the person to whom they were issued by the board on any car owned by him, or owned by anyone else, in lieu of registration, for personal use or pleasure.

§ 335. Appeals

Any applicant or holder of a new motor vehicle dealer plate, used motor vehicle dealer plate, motorcycle dealer plate, boat trailer dealer plate, equip-

ment dealer plate, loaner plate or transporter plate whose appeal has been denied by the Secretary of State by order of the board, or whose new motor vehicle dealer plates, used motor vehicle dealer plates, motorcycle dealer plates, boat trailer dealer plates, equipment dealer plates, loaner plates or transporter plates have been suspended or revoked by the Secretary of State by order of the board, may, within 30 days thereafter appeal by filing a complaint in the Superior Court, stating therein the grounds upon which the appeal is sought. The court shall fix a time and place for hearing and cause notice thereof to be given to the board. After hearing, the court may affirm, modify or reverse the decision of the board and the decision of the court shall be final. Pending judgment of the court, the registration of such new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, boat trailer dealer, equipment dealer, loaner plate or transporter plate holder shall remain in full force and effect.

Sec. 7. R. S., T. 29, § 336, sub-§ 6, amended. Subsection 6 of section 336 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 109 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

6. **Wreckers.** Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Title, anyone issued new ~~car or used car~~ motor vehicle or used motor vehicle dealer registration plates or transporter registration plates by said board shall have the right to operate his motor vehicle wrecker ~~or service automobile~~ in connection with his business on such dealer or transporter plate.

Sec. 8. R. S., T. 29, § 336, sub-§§ 7 - 10, additional. Section 336 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes as amended, is amended by adding 4 new subsections 7 to 10, to read as follows:

7. **Dealer plates.** New car dealer or used car dealer plates may be displayed on any new or used automobile, motor truck or truck tractor owned or controlled by the dealer when such vehicle is used:

- A. In the automobile or truck business of such dealer, or
- B. For the personal use of such dealer or the immediate members of his family, or for the personal use of regular employees of such dealer, or
- C. For teaching a new operator how to operate an automobile, motor truck or truck tractor, if such new operator has procured a learner's permit, and for such new operator to take an examination for an operator's license, or
- D. For testing automobiles, motor trucks, or truck tractors in the possession of such dealer, or
- E. For demonstrating automobiles, motor trucks or truck tractors owned or controlled by such dealer and such automobiles, motor trucks or truck tractors as may be operated by a prospective purchaser, when licensed as an operator or permittee; provided that the person, when licensed as a dealer using dealer plates, shall not demonstrate or use a loaded truck bearing dealer plates except with a permit as stated in subsection 3, or
- F. For transportation of any type vehicles purchased for resale or taken in trade.

8. Equipment dealer plates. Equipment dealer plates shall be issued to the farm machinery and heavy equipment dealers to be used on the following new and used equipment:

- A. Motorized graders.
- B. Power shovels.
- C. Front end loaders.
- D. Backhoes.
- E. Rubber tired bulldozers.
- F. Large 4-wheel-drive type trucks and snowplows.
- G. Motor cranes.
- H. Road sweepers.
- I. Sidewalk cleaners.
- J. Log skidders.
- K. Other related heavy equipment.
- L. Farm tractors.
- M. Self-propelled combines.
- N. Harvesters.
- O. Other related farm machinery.
- P. Any equipment or motor vehicle taken in trade.

A vehicle loaned by an equipment dealer to a customer for demonstration of loaded or unloaded equipment, or emergency purposes, may be operated on the registration plates of the dealer for not more than 7 consecutive days. The Secretary of State may in his discretion extend said period of 7 consecutive days to no more than 30 consecutive days whenever he finds the need for such extension is justified. This plate cannot be used for lease, rental, hire or for pleasure.

9. Transporter plates. Transporter plates may be used for the movement of new or used mobile homes, new or used semitrailers, by banks and finance companies to repossess and move a repossessed vehicle to a dealer or sales point, by wrecking lots for the purpose of bringing in cars or trucks which have been wrecked to be dismantled or for pulling wrecks off the highway to their own place of business, by fleet owners who do their own service and maintain shops for service of their own vehicles such as pulp and paper companies who have unregistered vehicles operating on private roads to or from service points, by body manufacturers who mount bodies and have to pick up and deliver the chassis to purchasers, by repair garages to bring unregistered vehicles to their shops for inspection and repair and for delivery of the same. Transporter plates may not be used on towing units except on wreckers not requiring public utility plates. Transporter plates may not be used for dem-

onstration and they may not be used in lieu of registration for personal use, personal business or personal pleasure at any time. Each use of a transporter plate shall be considered a one-time movement to or from a service point.

10. **Loaner plates.** Loaner plates may be used on a car loaned by a holder of such plate, while the customer's car is in his care and custody for the purpose of repair or overhaul. A complete record must be kept for inspection at any time stating the hour and date the car is loaned and when it is returned, the serial number of the car loaned, the loaner plate number and the registration number of the loanee's car in his care and custody, and he must see that the operator has a current operator's license before releasing a car to him and shall record his name and address. Loaner plates may not be used by the owner on his car or on a car owned by anyone else in lieu of registration for personal use or pleasure. A fee of not more than \$5 per day may be charged.

Sec. 9. R. S., T. 29, § 339, repealed and replaced. Section 339 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 339. Registration fee for manufacturer, dealer, loaner or holder of transporter registration certificate payable before January 1st

Every manufacturer or dealer in new or used cars, motor trucks or truck tractors, heavy equipment, farm machinery or trailers, or holders of a transporter or loaner registration certificate, boat trailer dealers or motorcycle dealers shall pay the Secretary of State the required registration fee for the succeeding year on or before the 31st day of December annually.

Any manufacturer or dealer in new or used cars, motor trucks or truck tractors, heavy equipment, farm machinery or trailers or holders of a transporter or loaner registration certificate, boat trailer dealer or motorcycle dealer commencing business after the first day of January of any year shall pay the fee at the time of commencing business.

The word "dealer" as used in this Title shall mean any person, firm or corporation which is a recognized agent of a car, motor truck or truck tractor made by such manufacturer whose authority to sell the same is created by a written contract with such manufacturer or with some person authorized in writing by such manufacturer to enter into such contract and whose principal business is the sale of new cars, motor trucks or truck tractors, the sale of secondhand cars, motor trucks or truck tractors being incidental thereto.

The words "used car dealer" as used in this Title shall mean any person, firm or corporation whose principal business is the buying and selling of secondhand cars, motor trucks or truck tractors.

The words "equipment dealer" as used in this Title shall mean any person, firm or corporation whose principal business is the buying and selling of heavy equipment or farm machinery.

Sec. 10. R. S., T. 29, § 340, repealed and replaced. Section 340 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 340. Temporary number plates; notification; cost

A manufacturer, new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, equipment dealer, motorcycle dealer or holder of a transporter registration certificate or boat trailer or trailer registration certificate may, upon the sale or exchange of a motor vehicle, boat trailer or trailer, attach to a rear plate holder of such motor vehicle, boat trailer or trailer a temporary registration plate, and the purchaser of such motor vehicle, boat trailer or trailer may operate the same for a period not to exceed 10 consecutive days thereafter without payment of a regular fee.

If the purchaser of such vehicle, boat trailer or trailer is a nonresident member of the Armed Services, said purchaser may operate the same for a period not to exceed 20 consecutive days thereafter without payment of a regular fee.

A temporary registration plate may not be used on a loaded truck without a written permit from the Secretary of State.

No manufacturer, new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, equipment dealer, or holder of a transporter registration certificate shall attach to the rear plate holder of a house trailer or mobile home any temporary registration plate unless the operator of the vehicle hauling the trailer has in his possession the written certificate from the tax collector required by section 336, subsection 5.

Temporary registration plates issued under this section for motorcycles shall be the same size as the regular motorcycle plates.

A manufacturer, new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, equipment dealer, motorcycle dealer, holder of transporter registration certificate, boat trailer or trailer dealer registration certificate shall, upon attaching a temporary registration plate to a motor vehicle, boat trailer or trailer sold or exchanged by him, mark hereon the date when said plate expires and immediately notify the Secretary of State of said sale or exchange, giving the name and address of the purchaser, the number of the temporary plate and such further information as the Secretary of State may require. The markings required by this paragraph to be placed on a temporary registration plate shall be made not less than one inch in height, with indelible or waterproof ink.

The Secretary of State may issue temporary registration plates to bona fide new motor vehicle dealers, used motor vehicle dealers, equipment dealers, holder of transporter registration certificates, boat trailer or trailer registration certificates, or motorcycle dealers who request them under such rules and regulations as he shall deem necessary and shall receive for them 50¢ per plate.

Sec. 11. R. S., T. 29, § 832, repealed and replaced. Section 832 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 832. Insurance before registration for dealers, transporters and loaners

The Secretary of State shall not issue new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, equipment dealer, transporter, loaner, motorcycle dealer, trailer dealer or boat trailer dealer registration plates, until the applicant therefor

shall have procured and filed with the Secretary of State a certificate showing that the applicant is covered by an automobile bodily injury and property damage liability insurance policy providing coverage as set forth in this Title with respect to the plates issued, approved by the Insurance Commissioner, insuring against any legal liability in accordance with the terms of said policy for personal injury or death of any one person in the sum of \$10,000 and for any number of persons in the sum of \$20,000 and against property damage in the sum of \$5,000, which injury, death or damage may result from or have been caused by the operation of any vehicle bearing such registration plates. In lieu of such insurance, the applicant may file with said Secretary of State a bond or bonds issued by a surety company authorized to do business in the State in the amount of at least \$10,000 on account of injury to or death of any one person, and subject to such limits as respects injury to or death of any one person of at least \$20,000 on account of any one accident resulting in injury to or death of more than one person, and of at least \$5,000 for damage to property of others.

The Secretary of State shall suspend, without hearing, such registration within 10 days of receipt of written notice from the company that the insurance policy or bond required has been cancelled. He shall likewise suspend said registration upon the expiration of the policy and shall not restore same until new certification of coverage is filed by the company.