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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 126

H. P. 86 House of Representatives, January 7, 1971 Referred to Committee on Transportation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk Presented by Mr. Conley of South Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Insurance of Motor Vehicle Registrations by Municipal Tax Officers.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 29, § 52, amended. Section 52 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

§ 52. Deputy

The Secretary of State may appoint and deputize agents, examiners and inspectors, stationed at convenient places in the State, to receive applications for registration and licenses for the operation of motor vehicles and to conduct examinations when ordered by the Secretary of State.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 29, § 110-A, additional. Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 110-A, to read as follows:

§ 110-A. Registration in municipalities

The collector of taxes of each municipality or such other person as a municipality may designate to collect the excise taxes on motor vehicles as provided in Title 36, section 1487, is declared to be an agent of the Secretary of State to receive applications for registration and to issue such registrations, and to collect the fees required therefor. Such agents shall transmit as required by the Secretary of State such records as the Secretary of State may require of all registrations issued and shall account to the Secretary of State for all fees collected under this section, less any amounts agreed upon between the Secretary of State and the municipality for payment to the municipality for expenses in receiving such applications for registration.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to lessen the time, distance and "waiting in line," which now occurs during the first three months of the year, and principally during the months of February and March. This bill would also relieve pressure on the clerks at the Bureau of Motor Vehicle offices in the cities where they are now located. The amount of money which the State may have to reimburse the municipalities would be minimal.