

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Presented by Mr. Rollins of Dixfield.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Allow the Use of Initial Type Plates on Pickup Trucks.

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

Sec. 1. 29 **MRSA**, § 192, first ¶, first sentence, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 469, § 1, is further amended to read:

The Secretary of State is authorized to design and to issue, under such regulations as he shall deem appropriate, initial type registration plates or combination of initials and numeric type registration plates to be used on passenger motor vehicles or motor vehicles of the station wagon type **or pickup trucks** or motorcycles or camper vehicles in lieu of other numeric type registration plates.

Sec. 2. 29 **MRSA**, § 192, 3rd ¶, first sentence, as amended by PL 1973, c. 469, § 2, is further amended to read:

Applications for registration plates as prescribed above, pertaining to owners of passenger vehicles or motor vehicles of the station wagon type or pickup **trucks** or motorcycles or camper vehicles who are residents of this State and who own an unrevoked and unexpired official amateur radio station license issued by the Federal Communications Commission, except those licensed as novices by the Federal Communications Commission, shall be accompanied by a notarized proof of ownership of such amateur radio station license.

FISCAL NOTE

The passage of this Act will bring an estimated increase of revenue to the State of \$20,000 for the fiscal year 1976-77 without any additional expense incurred to the State.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Initial type plates are widely popular in Maine. At present, however, Maine Statutes do not allow the Secretary of State to issue them for pickup trucks. As pickup trucks are the main passenger vehicle for many Maine families, it seems inequitable to deny the use of initial type plates on pickup trucks. This Act will correct that inequity.