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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 216

S. P. 92

In Senate, February 1, 1977

Referred to the Committee on Transportation. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Carpenter of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Motor Vehicle Fees Collected by the Public Utilities
Commission.

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

Sec. 1. 35 MRSA § 1557, sub-§ 2, 1st ¶, 1st sentence is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Each application for a certificate or permit shall be accompanied by a fee of \$25, and each application for amendment of a certificate or permit, for the transfer of a certificate or permit or for the reopening or rehearing of an application shall be accompanied by a fee of \$10, which is not for revenue purposes, but shall be used by the commission for the purpose of defraying the expenses of administering this Title, and any portion of those fees not used or required for this purpose shall be added to the General Highway Fund.

Sec. 2. 35 MRSA § 1557, sub-§ 2, 2nd ¶ is amended to read:

The charge for such vehicle identification device shall be ~~\$5 for each straight truck, so called, and \$10 for each truck tractor, so called~~ \$8 for each motor vehicle, and \$2 shall be charged for each transfer of such identification.

Sec. 3. 35 MRSA § 1557, sub-§ 4, 1st sentence is amended to read:

Provided application therefor is filed with the commission prior to the expiration date of a certificate or permit issued by the commission, renewals thereof shall be issued upon application made in accordance with the commission's requirements and upon the payment of the fees prescribed for original applications.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to reduce motor carriers' fees collected by the Public Utilities Commission to a level within the permitted limits of federal standards and requirements and to empower the commission to expend these fees to administer Title 35. The annual loss of dedicated revenue occasioned by this bill is estimated to be \$200,000.