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H. P. 735 House of Representatives, March 9, 1977 On motion of Mr. Carroll of Limerick, referred to the Committee on Transportation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Higgins of Scarborough.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Motor Vehicle Registrations of Handicapped Persons.

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

Sec. 1. 29 MRSA § 252, 1st sentence, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 16, § 1, is further amended to read:

On annual application to the Secretary of State, with the payment of \$1, any handicapped person or the spouse of a handicapped person who has registered a motor vehicle shall be issued a set of special designating plates to be used in place of the regular registration plates or placard to be fixed to the sun visor of a motor vehicle registered by such a person.

Sec. 2. 29 MRSA § 252, 4th ¶, 1st sentence, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 16, § 3, is further amended to read:

Any person other than a handicapped person or the spouse of a handicapped person issued a set of special designating plates or placard under this section shall be subject to a \$100 fine for use of the special designating plates or placard.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to permit the spouse of a handicapped person to be issued a handicapped designation tag for a motor vehicle. If the only vehicle in a handicapped person's family is registered by the handicapped person's spouse, that vehicle should still be able to use a special designation tag, because it will be often used to transport that handicapped person.