

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1233

H. P. 1018

House of Representatives, March 23, 1977

On Motion of Mr. Carroll of Limerick, referred to Committee on Transportation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Connors of Franklin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Permit Members of Certain Nonprofit Associations or Corporations to use Special Organizational License Plates.

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

29 MRSA § 195 is enacted to read:

§ 195. Organization registration plates

1. Designation of approved organizational plate. The Secretary of State is authorized to accept applications from the chief officer of any fraternal, educational, charitable or other nonprofit association or corporation, certified by that officer as having 25 or more members, for the designation of a special organizational registration plate for that association or corporation. Each designated organizational registration plate in use shall conform in all respects to the design, including any number or letters, which have been designated by the Secretary of State for the association or corporation of the member using it.

2. Authorization of use. A member of an association or corporation having a plate designated under subsection 1, may use this plate on any passenger motor vehicle, motor vehicle of the station wagon type, motorcycle, or camper vehicle registered to him as the sole front registration plate if his application for use has been authorized by the Secretary of State. Any person applying for this authorization shall furnish to the Secretary of State a certification that he is a member of an association or organization having a designated organizational registration plate and shall pay a service fee of \$5. Once a member receives authorization to use this plate, he shall thereafter annually submit to the Secretary of State by a date designated by the Secretary of State a new certification, accompanied by the annual service fee of \$5.

The service fee paid under this subsection shall be in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee as prescribed by law for the particular vehicle. The amount received for this service fee shall be credited to the Highway Fund and there shall be allocated annually from the Highway Fund a sum sufficient to defray the cost of this program.

3. Furnishing of plates. Any association or corporation having a designated organizational registration plate shall sell or otherwise furnish a copy of that plate to any member of its organization authorized under subsection 2 to use that plate.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill authorized the use of organizational registration plates by authorized members of a designated fraternal, educational, charitable or other nonprofit association or corporation.