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10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative McHenry of Madawaska.

Cosponsor: Representative Theriault of Fort Kent.

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12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT Relating to the Registration
18 Period for Certain Motor
19 Vehicles.
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
22 follows:

23 29 MRSA, §106, as repealed and replaced by PL
24 1979, c. 664, is repealed and the following enacted
25 in its place:

26 §106. Expiration date

27 1. Registrations. Registrations for all motor
28 vehicles expire annually at the end of the month, one
29 year from the month of issuance.

30 2. Reregistrations. Except as provided else-
31 where in this section, when application for registra-
32 tion of a motor vehicle is made after the registra-

1 tion for the previous year has been expired for more
2 than 30 days, the expiration date of the renewal
3 shall be at the end of the month, one year from the
4 month of issuance of the previous registration. If
5 the applicant provides satisfactory evidence and cer-
6 tifies in writing to the Secretary of State that the
7 vehicle has not been operated on a public way during
8 the period of the expired registration, the registra-
9 tion expiration date, upon renewal, is at the end of
10 the month, one year from the month of issuance of the
11 registration renewal.

12 3. Fleets. Any person who has a fleet of 5 or
13 more motor vehicles of a particular classification
14 may petition the Secretary of State for a common
15 expiration date of all vehicles in the fleet.

16 4. Number plates. Number plates or a suitable
17 device in lieu thereof furnished for the next regis-
18 tration period may be displayed on the vehicle on the
19 first day of the month in which the current registra-
20 tion expires.

21 STATEMENT OF FACT

22 This bill provides a single system for determin-
23 ing the registration dates of all motor vehicles.
24 Vehicles other than automobiles, motor trucks and
25 truck tractors are presently all registered on the
26 last day of February, regardless of the time of pur-
27 chase. For example, a motorcycle must be registered
28 in February, regardless of whether it was purchased
29 the previous May or on January 25th of the same year.

30 This bill simply applies the same rules to all
31 types of motor vehicles.

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