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1 2	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
3 4	ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
5 6	Legislative Document No. 871
7 8	H.P. 691 House of Representatives, February 24, 1983 Referred to the Committee on Transportation. Sent up for concurrence
9 10 ·	and ordered printed. EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
11	Presented by Representative Curtis of Waldoboro.
12 13	STATE OF MAINE
14 15 16	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
17 18 19 20	AN ACT to Make the Special Motor Vehicle Registration Plate Fee a One-Time Fee.
21 22	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
23 24	Sec. 1. 29 MRSA §192, 2nd ¶, as amended by PL 1981, c. 492, Pt. E, §2, is further amended to read:
25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35	The registration plates so provided shall be issued only upon application therefor, and upon payment of an annual a one-time service fee of \$15 \$50, which may be payable in 2 annual installments of \$25. The service fee is to be in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee as prescribed by law for the particular vehicle. The amount received for such the service fee shall be credited to the General Highway Fund and there shall be allocated annually from the General Highway Fund a sum sufficient to defray the cost of this program.

Sec. 2. Applicability. The provisions of section 1 shall apply to all applications for special registration plates after the effective date of this Act.

5 STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill eliminates the annual \$15 additional fee necessary for the acquisition and use of special registration plates for motor vehicles. In its place, this bill establishes a one-time \$50 charge for these plates. This fee may be spread out over 2 years. Once paid, the motor vehicle owner would only have to pay the annual motor vehicle registration fee, applicable to all motor vehicles.

The changes made by this bill are prospective. Current holders of so-called "vanity plates" are not grandfathered.

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