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**No. 245**

S.P. 82

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### **An Act To Amend the Laws Pertaining to the Licensing of Motor Vehicle Dealerships**

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Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator NASS of York.

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

2       **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §903, sub-§3**, as amended by PL 2005, c. 433, §12 and  
3       affected by §28, is further amended to read:

4       **3. Plate reduction.** Upon renewal of a dealer license, ~~the number of plates allowed~~  
5 a motor vehicle dealer who fails to sell a minimum of one vehicle per month or 12  
6 vehicles within a 12-month period ~~must be reduced to one dealer plate, and the motor~~  
7 ~~vehicle dealer~~ may not be issued a dealer plate under section 1002, ~~subsection 1,~~  
8 ~~paragraph B except that a motor vehicle dealer who has sold more than 6 but fewer than~~  
9 12 vehicles within a 12-month period may be issued at least 2 dealer plates under section  
10 1002. Upon a 2nd application for renewal of a dealer license, a motor vehicle dealer must  
11 be denied renewal if the Secretary of State determines that the dealer sold fewer than ~~4~~ 6  
12 vehicles in the previous license year, at which time all dealer credentials issued  
13 previously must be returned to the Secretary of State.

14 A motor vehicle dealer who is denied a license renewal under this subsection may not  
15 reapply until the license has been expired at least one year.

16 A motor vehicle dealer who holds a vehicle auction business license under section 1051 is  
17 exempt from this subsection.

18 A motor vehicle dealer who engages primarily in the sale of vehicles more than 15 years  
19 old, emergency vehicles or industrial or farm equipment is exempt from this subsection.

20       **Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §951, sub-§1, ¶B**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2  
21       and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

22 B. Sells more than 5 6 vehicles in any 12-month period; or

## 23 SUMMARY

24 This bill increases the number of vehicles that a motor vehicle dealer must sell to  
25 become a licensed motor vehicle dealer. It also provides that motor vehicle dealers that  
26 sell more than 6 motor vehicles, but fewer than 12, within a 12-month period may be  
27 issued at least 2 dealer plates.