

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 516

House of Representatives, February 28, 2013

**An Act To Amend the Law Regarding Motorcycle Registration  
Expiration Dates**

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Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative CASAVANT of Biddeford.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: BEAUDOIN of Biddeford, CAMPBELL of Newfield,  
EVANGELOS of Friendship, RUSSELL of Portland, Senator: VALENTINO of York.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §405, sub-§1**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 167, §1 and  
3 affected by §7, is further amended to read:

4 **1. Automobile, truck, truck tractor, motor home, motorcycle, moped,**  
5 **semitrailers not exceeding a gross vehicle weight of 2,000 pounds, special mobile**  
6 **equipment, tractor and camp trailer registration.** Registration for an automobile,  
7 truck, truck tractor, motor home, motorcycle, moped, semitrailer not exceeding a gross  
8 vehicle weight of 2,000 pounds, special mobile equipment, tractor and camp trailer is as  
9 follows.

10 A. A registration expires on the last day of the month one year from the month of  
11 issuance.

12 B. When an application is made after the registration for the previous year has  
13 expired, the term of the renewal begins on the month of the issuance of the previous  
14 registration.

15 C. A person who has a fleet of 5 or more motor vehicles may petition the Secretary  
16 of State for a common expiration date of all vehicle registrations.

17 **Sec. 2. PL 2011, c. 167, §6** is repealed.

18 **SUMMARY**

19 This bill changes the registration period for motorcycles from a fixed registration  
20 period of April 1st to March 31st to a registration period that runs until the last day of the  
21 month one year from the month of issuance of the registration, thus returning the  
22 registration period for motorcycles to what it was prior to the enactment of Public Law  
23 2011, chapter 167.