

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 360

House of Representatives, Feb. 20, 1917.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Bridges and five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Allen of Sanford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN

AN ACT to Amend Section twenty-three of Chapter twenty-six of the Revised Statutes relating to registration of Motor Vehicles.

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

Section twenty-three of chapter twenty-six of the Revised
2 Statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the words
3 "Ten dollars for traction engines or log haulers (used for
4 commercial purposes,)" in the twenty-third line thereof, the
5 following, "Two dollars for the registration of every motor
6 vehicle owned by a non-resident of this state who applies for
7 registration under section thirty-six of said chapter twenty-

8 six,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows :

'Sect. 23. All motor vehicles shall be registered by the
2 owner or person in control thereof in accordance with the
3 provisions of this section and the following sections. Ap-
4 plication for such registration may be made by mail or
5 otherwise to the secretary of state upon blanks prepared un-
6 der his authority. The application shall, in addition to
7 such other particulars as may be required by said secretary,
8 contain a statement of the name, place of residence and ad-
9 dress of the applicant, with a brief description of the motor
10 vehicle, including the name of the maker, the number if any,
11 affixed by the maker, the character of the motive power and
12 the amount of such power, stated in figures of horse power,
13 and with such application shall be deposited an annual regis-
14 tration fee of :

Five dollars for automobiles (used for conveyance of per-
2 sons for hire, pleasure or business,) of twenty horse power
3 and under.

Ten dollars for automobiles (used for conveyance of per-
2 sons, for hire, pleasure or business,) between twenty horse
3 power and including thirty-five horse power.

Fifteen dollars for automobiles (used for conveyance of
2 persons, for hire, pleasure or business,) over thirty-five
3 horse power.

Ten dollars for motor trucks or automobiles (used for
2 commercial purposes.)

Three dollars for motor cycles (used for pleasure or busi-
2 ness.)

Ten dollars for traction engines or log haulers (used for
2 commercial purposes.)

Two dollars for the registration of every motor vehicle
2 owned by a non-resident of this state who applies for regis-
3 tration under section thirty-six of the Revised Statutes of
4 nineteen hundred sixteen.

The above horse power shall be based on the "A-L-A-M"
2 standard, so called. On any application for registration, ap-
3 plied for by an owner, a resident of this state, of an automo-
4 bile, not including motor cycle, log hauler or traction engine,
5 during the period between the first day of October and the
6 thirty-first day of December in any year, one-half of the
7 registration fee shall be charged. The secretary of state
8 upon granting the application shall register in a book or
9 upon suitable index cards to be kept for the purpose, the
10 motor vehicle described in the application, giving to the
11 owner of such motor vehicle a distinguishing number or
12 other mark, and shall thereupon issue to the applicant a cer-
13 tificate of registration, which shall contain the name, place
14 of residence and address of the applicant and the registered
15 number or mark shall prescribe the manner in which said
16 registered number or mark shall be inscribed or displayed
17 on the motor vehicle, and shall be in such form as the sec-
18 retary may determine. The secretary of state shall also
19 furnish the applicant two enameled iron plates, containing
20 the word "Maine," in letters not less than one inch in height,
21 and the number of the registration in Arabic numerals not

22 less than four inches in height. The number plates must be
23 attached to the front and rear of automobiles, auto trucks
24 and traction engines. Motor cycles will be provided with a
25 registration seal or other distinguishing mark as may be de-
26 termined by the secretary of state. The number for motor
27 cycles must be so placed as to be always plainly visible. A
28 proper record of all applications for registration and of all
29 certificates issued shall be kept by the secretary of state in
30 his office and shall be open to the inspection of any person
31 during reasonable hours. The certificate of registration
32 shall always be carried on the person or in some easily ac-
33 cessible place in or about the motor vehicle. Upon the sale
34 of any motor vehicle, registration shall expire and the ven-
35 dor shall immediately return the certificate of registration
36 to the secretary of state, with notice of sale and the name
37 place of residence and address of the vendee. Registration
38 plates, seal, or other distinguishing mark for automobiles,
39 motor cycles and traction engines shall be furnished free,
40 from the office of the secretary of state. The express
41 charge for delivery of registration plates shall be paid by the
42 receiver. Plates lost or mutilated may be replaced for sev-
43 enty-five cents each.

A motor cycle that has been registered in accordance with
2 this section may be operated by the owner of such motor
3 cycle without a license and the certificate of registration
4 shall be evidence of the right to operate.'