

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

NO. 266

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*In Senate, March 2, 1917.*

*Reported by Mr. Marshall from Committee on Legal Affairs  
and ordered printed under joint rules.*

*W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to amend section twenty-four of chapter twenty-six  
of the Revised Statutes of 1916, relating to the registration  
of manufacturers and dealers in motor vehicles.

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

Section twenty-four of chapter twenty-six of the Revised  
2 Statutes of 1916 is hereby amended by striking out the  
3 words "and all motor vehicles (automobiles and motor  
4 trucks) owned and controlled by such manufacturer or  
5 dealer shall until sold, or exchanged be regarded as regis-  
6 tered under such general distinguishing number or mark.  
7 The annual fee for every certificate of registration to pur-

8 chase, demonstrate, sell and exchange automobiles and auto  
9 trucks, shall be twenty-five dollars," in the ninth, tenth,  
10 eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth lines of said  
11 section, and inserting in place thereof the following words:  
12 'and all motor vehicles (automobiles and motor trucks)  
13 owned or controlled by such manufacturer or dealer shall  
14 be regarded as registered under such general distinguish-  
15 ing number or mark until sold, exchange, let for hire, or  
16 loaned for a period of more than five successive days. The  
17 annual fee for every such certificate of registration shall  
18 be twenty-five dollars,' so that said section as amended shall  
19 read as follows:

'Sect. 24. Every manufacturer of or dealer in motor ve-  
2 hicles (automobiles or auto trucks) shall instead of regis-  
3 tering each motor vehicle owned or controlled by him, make  
4 application upon a blank provided by the secretary of state,  
5 for a general distinguishing number' or mark and said sec-  
6 retary may, if satisfied with the facts stated in the appli-  
7 cation, grant the application and issue to the applicant a  
8 certificate of registration, containing the name, place of resi-  
9 dence and address of the applicant and the general distin-  
10 guishing number or mark assigned to him or them and made  
11 in such form as the secretary of state may determine; and  
12 all motor vehicles (automobiles and motor trucks) owned  
13 or controlled by such manufacturer or dealer shall be re-  
14 garded as registered under such general distinguishing num-  
15 ber or mark until sold, exchanged, let for hire, or loaned for

16 a period of more than five successive days. The annual  
17 fee for every such certificate of registration shall be twenty-  
18 five dollars. The secretary of state shall furnish the man-  
19 ufacturer or dealer with five pairs of registration number  
20 plates free of cost. Extra registration plates shall be fur-  
21 nished to the manufacturers and dealers in automobiles and  
22 auto trucks, in addition to the five pairs of plates originally  
23 furnished, to replace lost or mutilated plates, for seventy-  
24 five cents each. Transportation charges on registration  
25 number plates shall be paid by the receiver. On applica-  
26 tions for registration applied for by manufacturers or deal-  
27 ers in automobiles or motor trucks, during the period be-  
28 tween the first day of October and the thirty-first day of  
29 December in any year, one-half of the registration fee shall  
30 be charged.'