

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 197

House of Representatives, Feb. 26, 1923.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Granville of Parsonsfield.

STATE OF MAINE

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THREE**

AN ACT to Amend Section Thirty-four of Chapter Two Hundred and Eleven of the Public Laws of 1921 and to Provide for Further Exemptions from Registration of Certain Non-resident Motor Vehicles.

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

Section thirty-four of chapter two hundred and eleven of
2 the public laws of 1921 is hereby amended by striking out
3 all of said section and substituting the following, so that
4 said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 34. Any non-resident of this state, other than a
2 foreign corporation doing business in this state may operate
3 any motor vehicle, tractor or trailer, except those herein-

4 after enumerated in this section, on public ways in this
5 state for not exceeding ninety days in any one year, with-
6 out complying with the provisions of this act requiring the
7 registration of motor vehicles and the licensing of opera-
8 tors; provided he shall have complied with the law of the
9 state or country of his residence relative to registration of
10 such vehicle and the display of registration numbers there-
11 on, and shall conspicuously display his registration numbers
12 as required thereby, and that said vehicle shall be operated
13 by a person licensed to operate the same in this or some
14 other state or country.

‘If any non-resident owner of such vehicle is to continue
2 its operation within this state after the expiration of said
3 ninety days, he shall seasonably make application to the
4 secretary for registration thereof in accordance with the
5 registration provisions of this act required of resident own-
6 ers, pay the fee required of them, and receive and display
7 number plates as required of resident owners.

‘But no such vehicle owned or operated by a non-resident
2 of this state shall be operated on the public ways of this
3 state as a vehicle engaged in the business of livery or for
4 hire, or as a jitney, within this state, except and until it
5 has registered and complied with the laws of this state, and
6 the by-laws and ordinances of municipalities wherein it
7 operates, in the same manner as may be required of like
8 vehicles owned, operated and registered in this state.

‘Any motor-cycle or side-car owned by a non-resident,

2 operated by a person registered and authorized to operate
3 it in this or some other state or country, having a registra-
4 tion plate or other distinguishing mark attached to the
5 motor-cycle, may be operated on the ways of this state for
6 not more than ninety days in the aggregate before regis-
7 tration. Provided, however, that no motor truck, tractor
8 or trailer used for commercial purposes and owned either
9 by a resident of this state or a non-resident thereof, shall
10 be operated over any ways or bridges except and until such
11 vehicle is registered and the registration fee paid as pro-
12 vided by statute for the registration of vehicles with like
13 capacity and character owned in this state; but registra-
14 tion and license evidenced by an appropriate plate or tag
15 attached to the vehicle may be issued to operate it for not
16 exceeding five days in any one year upon payment of one-
17 fourth of the fee required for annual registration of such
18 vehicle; or, for not exceeding ten days, upon payment of
19 one-third of such annual registration. A non-resident may
20 at any time apply for and obtain annual registration of
21 such vehicle by paying the difference between the fee for
22 such short term registration, and the fee required for its
23 annual registration. Said motor truck, tractor or trailer
24 when registered as required by this section may be operated
25 by persons licensed to operate it according to the laws of
26 this or some other state or country, and may display its
27 register plates in addition to the plates of this state as
28 required by this act.

‘Nothing in this section shall be construed to exempt non-
2 residents in any other respect, than stated in this section,
3 from the other requirements of this act governing equip-
4 ment, marking, use and operation of motor vehicles, tractors
5 or trailers owned or operated by residents of this state.’