

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 303

House of Representatives, March 7, 1923.

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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Maher of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relative to the Taxation of Motor Vehicles.

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

Section 1. No motor vehicle owned or controlled by a
2 resident of this state shall be registered under revised
3 statutes chapter twenty-six and acts amendatory until the
4 owner or person controlling the same has obtained a permit
5 for registration from the city or town wherein such owner
6 or person resides. Provided, however, this section shall
7 not apply to motor vehicles which constitute stock in trade
8 of a manufacturer or a bona fide dealer in such vehicles.

Sect. 2. Whenever the applicant for a permit has been

2 assessed for taxation, during the calendar year, directly
3 upon the whole or a part of the property which has been
4 used in the purchase of the motor vehicle, the assessors or
5 selectmen shall so certify and upon the production of such
6 certificate by the applicant, the city clerk shall issue such
7 permit without the payment of fees or upon the payment of
8 fees provided for in section five, reduced by the percentage
9 of such assessed property which has been so used in the
10 purchase of such motor vehicle.

Sect. 3. A second or other permit shall not be required in
2 any one calendar year when the ownership of a motor
3 vehicle changes and an original permit has been granted
4 for the registration of the motor vehicle.

Sect. 4. Said permits shall be in form prescribed by the
2 motor vehicle department; shall be issued in duplicate and
3 one copy delivered to said commissioner at the time appli-
4 cation is made for registration of the motor vehicle and be
5 filed with the application.

Sect. 5. The treasurer of each city or such other person
2 as the city government may designate and the town clerk
3 of each town shall collect fees for such permit as follows:
4 On each motor vehicle offered for registration a sum equal
5 to seventeen mills on each one dollar of the maker's list
6 price for the current year of the model, twelve mills for
7 first succeeding year, nine mills for each second succeed-
8 ing year, five mills for third succeeding year and three mills
9 for fourth succeeding year and thereafter.

Sect. 6. Each designated city official and each town clerk
2 shall keep an accurate account of the money received by
3 him for said permits and deposit same in the city or town
4 treasury to be used for the general purposes of the city or
5 town. Town clerks shall be paid on orders drawn on the
6 town treasurer by the selectmen twenty-five cents for each
7 permit issued.

Sect. 7. For permits issued under the provisions of this
2 act during the period beginning with September first and
3 ending December thirty-first in any year the fees shall be
4 one-half of sum named in section five.

Sect. 8. All permits for the registration of motor vehicles
2 provided for in this act shall expire at midnight upon
3 December thirty-first each year.

Sect. 9. Motor vehicles owned or controlled by residents
2 of this state are hereby exempted from taxation except
3 whenever held by a manufacturer or bona fide dealer as a
4 part of his stock in trade.