

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE**

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**HOUSE**

**NO. 308**

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House of Representatives, March 7, 1923.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Archibald of Houlton.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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

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AN ACT Relating to the Registration of Motor Vehicles.

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

Section 1. Every person making application for the  
2 registration of a motor vehicle shall state in his application  
3 whether or not such motor vehicle is free of incumbrance.  
4 If any incumbrance upon such motor vehicle exists at the  
5 time of application for registration, the applicant shall so  
6 state in his application, giving the amount of the incum-  
7 brance and the name of the person to whom the same is  
8 due.

Sect. 2. Any owner of a motor vehicle duly registered  
2 under the laws of this state who shall later execute any

3 mortgage, Holmes note, lease, acceptance, or other form of  
4 indebtedness in which said motor vehicle shall be named  
5 as security shall immediately notify the secretary of state  
6 of the amount of said indebtedness, the name of the person  
7 secured, and the date of the same, and the secretary of  
8 state shall note the same upon the original application of  
9 the owner of said motor vehicle.

Sect. 3. Whenever the indebtedness secured by the said  
2 motor vehicle shall have been satisfied and the motor  
3 vehicle released as security, the owner of the said motor  
4 vehicle shall notify the secretary of state, and said release  
5 shall be noted upon the original application. The secretary  
6 of state upon inquiry of any interested party, shall furnish  
7 information regarding the ownership of any motor vehicle  
8 on which license has been issued, which is duly registered  
9 in his office.

Sect. 4. Whoever makes a false statement or fails to  
2 comply with the provisions of this act shall be punished by  
3 fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars,  
4 and in default of payment shall serve thirty days in jail.

Sect. 5. Trial justices, and municipal courts shall have  
2 jurisdiction over all matters in this chapter.

Sect. 6. This act shall not become effective until January  
2 first, nineteen hundred and twenty-four.