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EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

House Document

No. 17

H. P. 50 House of Representatives, Jan. 20, 1927.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Hale of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Revise the Schedule of Fees for Registration of Motor Vehicles.

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

Section 1. •Section 47 of Chapter 211 of the Public Laws of 1921 as amended by Chapter 58 and Chapter 123 of the Public Laws of 1925, is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Sect. 47. The annual fees for the registration and licensing of vehicles shall be in accordance with the following schedule and shall accompany the application for registration:

a. Motor vehicles used for the conveyance of passengers.

	Per H. P.	Per 100 lbs. weight
Equipped with Pneumatic tires	33 cents	33 cents
Solid tires (two or more).....	33 cents	75 cents

Motor vehicles used for livery or hire shall pay fifty cents
 2 per H. P. and fifty cents per 100 lbs. weight, or \$1.50 per
 3 100 lbs. weight in addition to 50 cents per H. P., if equipped
 4 with two or more solid tires; provided, however, that private
 5 automobiles occasionally employed for use at funerals by a
 6 duly registered or licensed undertaker, and not otherwise
 7 used for hire, and motor vehicles used for no other passen-
 8 ger service or hire than for the transportation of school
 9 children to and from school, shall be subject only to the
 10 registration fee provided for motor vehicles used for the
 11 conveyance of passengers.

b. Tractors.

	Per H. P.	Per 100 lbs. weight
Equipped with		
Pneumatic tires	33 cents	33 cents
Solid rubber tires	33 cents	75 cents
Iron, steel or other hard tires	50 cents	\$1.10

Tractors used for agricultural purposes or not customarily
 2 used on public ways shall pay one-tenth of the above rates;
 3 caterpillar tractors, so-called, except as above provided, shall
 4 pay a registration fee of fifteen dollars. Tractors not used
 5 for hauling or carrying loads on the highways shall be
 6 exempt from registration and license.

Trailers.

	Per 100 lbs. gross weight of vehicle and load.
Equipped with	
Pneumatic tires	20 cents

Solid tires	55 cents
Iron, steel or other hard tires	\$1.10
d. Motorcycles	\$5.00 each.
e. Motorcycle sidecars	\$5.00 each.

In computation under this section fractions of horse power 2 and weight shall carry the lower rating, and major fractions 3 shall carry the next higher rating.

Horse power specified in this act shall be based on the 2 "A. L. A. M." standard, so-called.

"Steam Vehicles."—In the computation of fees for all ve- 2 hicles propelled by steam, the horsepower rating shall be 3 based on the system of rating adopted by the United States 4 Government.

"Electric Vehicles."—For vehicles propelled by electricity 2 the rating shall be the normal horsepower designated by the 3 manufacturers of the electric motor or motors in the vehicle.

In the computation of fees based on gross weight, said 2 gross weight, in the case of freight or merchandise vehicles, 3 shall be the actual weight of the vehicle in pounds plus the 4 manufacturer's rated load capacity, and in the case of pas- 5 senger vehicles shall be the actual weight of the vehicles. In 6 no case shall the registration fee be less than thirteen dollars.

On any application for registration applied for by an owner 2 resident of this state, of a motor vehicle or trailer, not in- 3 cluding a log hauler, or traction engine, during the period 4 between the first day of October and the thirty-first day of 5 December, one-half the registration fee shall be charged.

6 The secretary upon granting the application shall register
 7 in a book or upon suitable index cards to be kept for the
 8 purpose, the vehicle described in the application, giving to its
 9 owner a distinguishing number or other mark, and shall
 10 thereupon issue a certificate of registration which shall con-
 11 tain the name, place of residence and address of the owner.

Sect. 2. Section 50 of said Chapter 211 of the Public Laws
 2 of 1921 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sect. 50. With each application for registration of a
 2 motor truck shall be deposited an annual registration fee
 3 graduated as follows, when equipped with pneumatic tires:

For trucks with a rated carrying capacity of one thou- sand pounds or less	\$13.00
For trucks having a rated carrying capacity of one thousand pounds and not over one ton.....	\$15.00
For trucks having a rated carrying capacity of one ton and not over two tons	\$20.00
For trucks having a rated carrying capacity of over two and not over three tons.....	\$55.00
For trucks having a rated carrying capacity of over three tons and not over four tons.....	\$80.00
For trucks having a rated carrying capacity of over four tons	\$110.00

Provided, however, that every such vehicle equipped with
 2 two or more solid tires shall pay an additional fee of thirty-
 3 three and one-third per cent more than any such vehicle
 4 would be hereby required to pay if equipped with pneumatic

5 tires; provided, further, however, that any motor vehicle
6 with a rated carrying capacity of over five tons may be
7 registered and operated if such motor vehicle is owned and
8 registered on the date of the approval of this act. But no
9 vehicle shall be operated on ways or bridges which, either
10 loaded or without load, exceeds the limits prescribed in
11 section forty-nine, or is contrary to the provisions of any
12 other section of this act, or any other statute pertaining
13 thereto.'