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House of Representatives, February 14, 1939.

Referred to Committee on Motor Vehicles and sent up for concurrence.  
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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Paul of Portland.

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## S T A T E   O F   M A I N E

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
THIRTY-NINE

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### **AN ACT Requiring the Filing of Statement of Title with Applications for Registration of Motor Vehicles.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 29, § 50, amended.** Section 50 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 58 of the public laws of 1933, is hereby further amended as follows:

**'Sec. 50. Motor vehicles and trailers to be registered; applications; secretary of state may refuse registration.** No motor vehicle or trailer shall be operated, or remain, upon any way unless the same is registered and equipped in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. Application for such registration may be made by mail or otherwise to the secretary of state upon blanks prepared under his authority. The application shall be signed by the owner and shall contain such particulars as may be required by the secretary of state, including the name, residence and address of the owner, with a brief description of the vehicle, the name of its maker, the motor and serial numbers, the character of the motive power and the amount of such power, stated in figures of horse power, and the actual weight of the vehicle, and its load capacity, if intended for commercial use. The applicant shall state in his application the kind of lens used in the headlights upon his motor vehicle, and shall specify whether he has com-

plied with the rules and regulations of the secretary of state. **The applicant shall also file in such form and on such blanks as shall be required by the secretary of state, a statement of the applicant's title to his motor vehicle, including the name of the person, firm or corporation from whom the same was purchased, together with a statement of all liens or incumbrances upon said vehicle, and the names and addresses of all persons having any interest therein, and the nature of every such interest.** In case said applicant has not given satisfactory answers, the secretary of state shall refuse to register such vehicle, or to issue a license for its operation.'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 29, § 54, amended.** The last paragraph of section 54 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'On any application for registration applied for by an owner resident of this state, of a motor vehicle or trailer or semi-trailer, not including a log hauler, or traction engine, during the period between the 1st day of September and the 31st day of December,  $\frac{1}{2}$  the registration fee shall be charged. The secretary of state upon granting the application shall register in a book or upon suitable index cards to be kept for the purpose, the vehicle described in the application, giving to its owner a distinguishing number or other mark, and shall thereupon issue a certificate of registration which shall contain the name, place of residence and address of the owner. **The secretary of state shall also give to the applicant a certificate of title to the vehicle described in the application, which said certificate, shall contain a statement of the owner's title including the name of the person, firm or corporation from whom the applicant purchased said motor vehicle or received title thereto, and of all liens and incumbrances upon the vehicle thereon described.**'