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S. P. 86

In Senate, January 16, 1941.

Referred to Committee on Motor Vehicles and sent down for concurrence.  
500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Whitney of Penobscot.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-ONE

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**AN ACT to Change the Method of Issuing Licenses to Operate Motor  
Vehicles And To Apportion the Annual Expiration Thereof.**

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

**R. S., c. 29, § 65, amended.** Section 65 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 224 of the public laws of 1931, and by chapter 207 of the public laws of 1937, is hereby further amended to read as follows :

**‘Sec. 65. Registration certificates and licenses to operate; termination of.** All registrations of vehicles and all certificates of registration and number plates, ~~and all licenses to operate motor vehicles~~ shall terminate and become void at midnight on the 31st day of December in each year except as provided in paragraph 2 of section 55 of this chapter. ~~; no person shall operate any motor vehicle on or after the first day of January of any year unless then duly licensed to operate such vehicle for such year.~~

In the interest of public convenience the secretary of state shall establish and promulgate a system for granting licenses to operate motor vehicles, such licenses to be valid for the period of one year from the month of issuance, unless sooner suspended or revoked as provided by statute,

and he is hereby authorized to issue such licenses in accordance with the system so established; provided, however, in order to initiate such system he may issue a license to any applicant therefor, which shall be valid for a period of time less than 1 year or not exceeding 18 months, unless sooner suspended or revoked, upon payment by the licensee of a fee proportionate to the annual \$2 fee established for operator's licenses.'