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H. P. 1515

House of Representatives, February 17, 1949.

Referred to Committee on Motor Vehicles. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Plummer of Lisbon.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Dealer's Registration.

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

R. S., c. 19, § 19, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 19 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Every manufacturer or dealer in new or used motor vehicles or trailers may, instead of registering each vehicle owned or controlled by him, make application upon a blank provided by the secretary of state for a general distinguishing number, color or mark. The secretary of state, if satisfied ~~with the facts stated in the application, may grant the application and~~ that the applicant is actively engaged in the buying and selling of motor vehicles and for such purpose maintains a permanent place of business and is also satisfied with the other facts stated in the application, may issue to the applicant a certificate of registration, containing the name, place of residence, and address of the applicant, and the general distinguishing number, color or mark assigned to him and made in such form as the secretary of state may determine, and all vehicles owned or controlled by such applicant shall be regarded as registered under such general distinguishing number, color or mark until sold, exchanged or operated for hire. **To qualify as an active dealer in motor vehicles so as to be eligible for the renewal of such registration, the applicant shall submit evidence of the sale of an average**

of at least 1 motor vehicle per month during the period of registration immediately prior to that for which application is made. The annual fee for every such certificate of registration shall be \$60. The secretary of state shall furnish the applicant with 4 pairs of registration number plates free of cost; and there may be issued to any such applicant 2 similar pairs of plates, in addition to the 4 pairs so issued, upon payment of \$10 for each such additional pair; and upon payment of \$5 per pair, additional plates shall be furnished. Extra registration plates shall be furnished to replace lost or mutilated plates for 75c each. Single plates shall be furnished for trailers. On applications for registration, or for additional plates applied for during the period between the 1st day of September and the 31st day of December in any year, $\frac{1}{2}$ of the registration fee shall be charged. No motor truck, tractor or trailer registered under the provisions of this section shall be used for other than demonstration, service or emergency purposes. **Provided, however, that when trucks, tractors or trailers bearing dealer's registration are used for service purposes, such use shall be limited to the transportation of articles and materials directly connected with the purchase and sale of motor vehicles and the maintenance of the properties connected and used with such business.'**