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NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 574 House of Representatives, February 17, 1959.
Referred to the Committee on Transportation, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Shepard of Stonington.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Special Registration Plates for Uninsured Motor Vehicles.

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

R. S., c. 22, §§ 13-A-13-B, additional. Chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 2 new sections, to be numbered 13-A and 13-B, to read as follows:

'Sec. 13-A. Special registration plates for uninsured motor vehicles. The Secretary of State shall issue to any person registering an uninsured motor vehicle for any calendar year a distinctively colored registration plate of the same shape, size and lettering as regularly issued registration plates. Each plate issued shall bear a distinguishing number of the number series designated by the Secretary of State for uninsured motor vehicles, and shall be displayed in lieu of regularly issued plates until the motor vehicle is insured and regular registration plates are obtained therefor.

Special registration plates issued on an uninsured motor vehicle registered under this section may be exchanged for regular registration plates for the same registration year on presenting evidence of insurance as provided in this section and payment of a 75c fee. Special registration plates issued under this section shall be surrendered to the Secretary of State upon issuance of regular plates.

Any person offering to register a motor vehicle shall furnish the Secretary of State, as evidence that the vehicle is insured, a certificate of insurance or selfinsurance in form prescribed by him, or a receipt showing that he has posted bond or made a financial security deposit under the provisions of the Financial Responsibility Law. Regular registration plates issued under this section for any registration year shall be valid during that year only so long as the motor vehicle continues to be insured.

The Secretary of State may refuse or may suspend, for a period not exceeding 30 days, the operator's license and registration of any motor vehicle in the name of any person, if he has reasonable grounds to believe that such person has in any way violated the provisions of this section.

Sec. 13-B. Secretary of State to publish list of uninsured motor vehicles. The Secretary of State shall, on or before the first day of April of each year, publish in the state paper and in such other newspapers of the State as he shall select, an alphabetically arranged list of the names, addresses and registration plate letters of each person to whom a plate is issued under section 13-A, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to maintain and keep current such list for public information and inquiry.'