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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Eighty-ninth Legislature

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Chapter 221

AN ACT Relating to Registration of Motor Vehicles.

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

R. S., c. 29, § 50, amended. Section 50 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

'No registration or license shall be required to permit the use of a truck, trailer or tractor on that part of a way adjoining the premises of the owner of such truck, trailer or tractor.'

Approved April 17, 1939.

Chapter 222

AN ACT Relating to Dealers in Motor Vehicles.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 29, § 60, amended. Section 60 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 60. Dealer's registration; fees for plates; vehicles under dealer's registration not to be operated for hire; application upon blank provided by secretary of state; limitation of use of commercial vehicle so registered. 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 ~~may~~ if satisfied with the facts stated in the application, ~~may~~ grant the application and 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 ~~manufacturer or dealer~~ shall be regarded as registered under such general distinguishing number, color, or mark until sold, exchanged, or operated for hire. The annual fee for every such certificate of registration shall be ~~thirty dollars~~ \$60. The secretary of state shall furnish the ~~manufacturer or dealer~~ applicant with ~~three~~ 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 ~~three~~ 4 pairs so

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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 ~~by said manufacturers or dealers~~ 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 this section shall be used for other than demonstration or emergency purposes.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 29, § 62, amended. Section 62 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 62. Dealers' registration fee to be paid before December 31 of preceding year. Every manufacturer or dealer in new or used motor vehicles or trailers shall pay to the secretary of state the required registration fee for the succeeding year on or before the 31st day of December annually; provided, that any manufacturer or dealer in new or used motor vehicles or trailers commencing business after the 1st day of January of any year shall pay the fee at the time of commencing business. The word "dealer" as used in this chapter shall mean any person, firm or corporation which is actively engaged in the business of buying, selling or exchanging motor vehicles and having an established place of business for such purpose, or which has a bona fide contract for buying, selling or exchanging motor vehicles with any wholesale dealer in or manufacturer of motor vehicles a recognized agent of a motor vehicle manufacturer, or a seller of motor vehicles made by such manufacturer whose authority to sell the same is created by a written contract with such manufacturer, or with some person authorized in writing by such manufacturer to enter into such contract, and whose principal business is the sale of new motor vehicles, the sale of second-hand motor vehicles being incidental thereto. The words "used car dealer" as used in this chapter shall mean any person, firm or corporation whose principal business is the buying and selling of second-hand motor vehicles.'

Approved April 17, 1939.

Chapter 223

AN ACT Relating to the Administration of State Institutions.

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

Sec. 1. Department of institutional service. There is hereby created and established the department of institutional service.