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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

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manufactured in the State and preference shall be given to Maine concerns selling such products and to concerns, selling such products, having a permanently established place of business in the State.'

Effective August 20, 1955

## Chapter 383

### AN ACT Relating to Registration Fees for Farm Trucks.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 19, amended. Section 19 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the 1st paragraph thereof, a new paragraph to read as follows:

'Provided that the annual fee for registration of farm motor trucks, when such trucks are used primarily for transportation of agricultural commodities, supplies or equipment to be used in connection with the operation of a farm or farms owned, operated or occupied by the registrant, shall be as follows:

From 9,001 pounds gross weight to 11,000 pounds gross weight .....	\$20
From 11,001 pounds gross weight to 14,000 pounds gross weight .....	\$30
From 14,001 pounds gross weight to 16,000 pounds gross weight .....	\$40
From 16,001 pounds gross weight to 18,000 pounds gross weight .....	\$60.

The term "agricultural commodities" shall not include logs or pulp wood. Farm motor trucks registered under this section may receive a short-term permit in accordance with the provisions of this section by paying a percentage of the difference between the amount paid for farm motor truck registration and the annual fee for the desired tonnage in accordance with the permit table contained in this section. Farm trucks so registered shall be operated on the public highways only within a radius of 15 miles from the main entrance of the farm where such vehicle is customarily kept. The Secretary of State shall issue a registration plate or plates so designed that a farm motor truck registered under this section may be distinguished from commercial vehicles otherwise registered under the provisions of this section.'

Sec. 2. Effective date. The provisions of this act shall become effective for registration of farm motor trucks for the calendar year 1956.

Effective August 20, 1955

## Chapter 384

### AN ACT Relating to Motor Vehicle Inspections.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 45, amended. Section 45 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 45. Inspection of motor vehicles; stickers. Every person who is the owner or in control of a motor vehicle registered and operated upon the highways of the state shall submit such vehicles for semiannual inspection as provided for in this and the 2 following sections, to determine the proper adjustment and sufficiency of the following required equipment: brakes, lights, running gear, wheels, tires, horns, windshields, mechanical windshield wipers, rear view mirrors, reflectors and mufflers.

Such inspection shall be made during the months of April and October of each year at an official inspection station, duly appointed and certified as such by the Secretary of State. If, at the time of such inspection and before the said vehicle is again operated upon the highway, the condition of said vehicle conforms in each and every respect as required by law, an official sticker as a certificate of inspection furnished by said Secretary shall be placed in the upper right-hand corner of the windshield or in the center of the windshield back of the rear mirror. Notwithstanding the requirement that all registered motor vehicles be inspected in April and October of each year, it shall be unlawful, except as hereinafter provided, for any person to operate a motor vehicle on the highways of this State unless said motor vehicle has been inspected and bears a certificate as provided in this section.

Each official inspection station shall stock a sufficient number of stickers to meet their demands ~~through the entire inspection period~~ at all times. These shall be furnished by the office of the Secretary of State at 5c each. ~~Within 30 days after the close of each inspection period, stickers on hand may be returned to the secretary of state and the purchase price refunded.~~ Stickers furnished for the April inspection period shall be used during the succeeding months through September of the same calendar year and shall be of a different color and design than those furnished for the October inspection period and succeeding months through March of the following year. Stickers on hand at the beginning of a new inspection period, or at the end of the calendar year if the license is not renewed or if the license is suspended, may be returned to the Secretary of State and the purchase price refunded.

Said inspection shall not apply to motor vehicles owned and registered in another state nor to new motor vehicles being driven by a dealer or his authorized representative from the point of distribution to his place of business.

No dealer in new or used motor vehicles shall permit any such vehicle owned or controlled by him to be released for operation upon the highways until it has been inspected as herein provided and a proper sticker certifying such inspection placed thereon. If such vehicle bears thereon a certificate showing a prior inspection, the same shall be removed. ~~The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to sale of vehicles as junk or to those which are to be repaired and put into condition so as to pass inspection by the purchaser thereof.~~

The Secretary of State or authorized agent or state police officer may issue a permit to owners of motor vehicles which are not inspected to enable them to ~~move~~ operate such vehicle ~~from garage or storage place~~ to the nearest inspection station for the purpose of complying with this law.

~~It shall be unlawful for any person to operate upon the highway any motor vehicle which has not been inspected and which does not bear a certificate, as provided for in this section.~~

The provisions of this section shall not apply to farm tractors which are manufactured as such.'