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Amend the bill in section 2 in §202 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 19 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "**nondriver identification card renewals and duplicates**" and inserting the following: '**duplicates of noncommercial driver's license renewals and nondriver identification card renewals**'

Amend the bill in section 2 in §202 in the first paragraph in the 2nd and 3rd lines (page 1, lines 21 and 22 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "nondriver identification card renewals and duplicates of those documents" and inserting the following: 'duplicates of noncommercial driver's license renewals and nondriver identification card renewals'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

‘**Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §456-F, sub-§6**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 703, §10, is amended to read:

6. Duplicate plates. The Secretary of State shall issue an agriculture education plate in a 3-number and 3-letter combination sequence or in another sequence at the discretion of the Secretary of State. Vanity plates may not duplicate vanity plates issued in another class of plate.

Sec. 4. 29-A MRSA §501, sub-§7, ¶G is enacted to read:

G. The Secretary of State may issue unassigned temporary registration permits to a vehicle auction business licensed under section 1051 to allow the movement of a vehicle sold to a dealer.’

Amend the bill by inserting after section 3 the following:

‘**Sec. 4. 29-A MRSA §664-A, sub-§5**, as enacted by PL 1997, c. 437, §20, is amended to read:

5. Sold at auction. ~~A~~Except for a vehicle sold to a dealer at a vehicle auction licensed under section 852, a vehicle that is sold or displayed for sale at an auction must be accompanied by a valid certificate of title or salvage at the time of its sale or display. A salvage vehicle sold or displayed for sale at an auction or insurance salvage pool must be accompanied by a valid certificate of salvage at the time of its sale or display for sale, unless it is accompanied by a certificate of title from a jurisdiction that does not issue certificates of salvage~~The seller of a vehicle sold to a dealer at a vehicle auction licensed under section 852 must provide the purchasing dealer with a valid certificate of title or certificate of salvage within 30 days.~~

Sec. 5. 29-A MRSA §952, sub-§1, ¶B, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

B. A repair department for repair of 2 vehicles ~~simultaneously~~;

Sec. 6. 29-A MRSA §954, sub-§5, as amended by PL 2007, c. 273, Pt. B, §5 and c. 306, §7 and affected by c. 695, Pt. A, §47, is further amended to read:

5. Transporter. A garage owner, body shop, finance company, bank, motor vehicle auction business, motor vehicle rental company, recycler or repossession company licensed by the Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection or any public or nonprofit organization as described in section 951, subsection 4 may be issued transporter plates and a license to transport a vehicle owned by or in the custody of that owner or business.

A. The holder may use this plate only if the vehicle is accompanied by the owner or the owner's employee.

B. A transporter plate may not be:

(1) Used in lieu of registration plates;

(2) Loaned to another;

(3) Used for personal reasons; or

(4) Used on a towing vehicle, except for a drive-away saddlemount vehicle transporter combination.

Sec. 7. 29-A MRSA §1311, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 286, §4, is amended to read:

2. Period of restrictions. ~~Unless extended~~Subject to section 2116 and subject to extension pursuant to subsection 3, the license restrictions in subsection 1 are in effect for a period of 180 days from license issuance.'

Amend the bill in section 10 in paragraph A in the 4th line (page 4, line 22 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "an instructor" and inserting the following: 'instructor 2 instructors'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 14 the following:

Sec. 15. 29-A MRSA §2357, sub-§1, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

A. A vehicle loaded entirely with building materials that absorb moisture during delivery ~~originating and terminating within the State~~, bark, sawdust, firewood, sawed lumber, dimension lumber, pulpwood, wood chips, logs, soil, unconsolidated rock material including limestone, bolts, farm produce, road salt, manufacturer's concrete products, solid waste or incinerator ash;'

Amend the bill in section 15 in the 3rd line (page 5, line 15 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "The" and inserting the following: 'Notwithstanding Title 5, section 8071, subsection 2, paragraph A, the'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 16 (page 5, lines 19 to 41 and page 6, lines 1 to 18 in L.D.)

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment:

1. Clarifies that agents authorized by the Secretary of State to issue noncommercial driver's license renewals and nondriver identification card renewals may issue duplicates of noncommercial driver's license renewals but not duplicates of nondriver identification card renewals as stated in the bill;
2. Authorizes the Secretary of State to issue an agriculture education plate in another sequence in addition to a 3-number and 3-letter sequence at the discretion of the Secretary of State;
3. Authorizes the Secretary of State to issue unassigned temporary registration permits to a licensed auction business when the licensed auction business sells a vehicle to a dealer;
4. Allows a vehicle to be sold at a licensed dealer auction to a licensed dealer prior to the dealer's possessing the title and clarifies that the licensed dealer may take possession of the vehicle;
5. Removes the provision that to qualify for a dealer license an applicant must maintain a repair department for the repair of 2 vehicles simultaneously;
6. Allows a motor vehicle rental company to be issued transporter plates and a license to transport a vehicle owned by or in the custody of that business or its owner;
7. Clarifies that a person under 18 years of age who has been issued a driver's license may not use a handheld electronic device while operating a motor vehicle, whether or not that person has an intermediate license;
8. Clarifies that the Technical Review Panel, which assists the Secretary of State in developing driver education curriculum and instructor training and certification, includes 2 instructors;
9. Clarifies that the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Commissioner of Transportation, is directed and authorized to establish a fee schedule, by routine technical rulemaking, for vehicles covered by long-term overlimit movement permits;
10. Provides that the weight tolerance allowed under current law for a vehicle loaded with building materials that absorb moisture is not dependent upon whether the vehicle's delivery originates and terminates within the State; and
11. Strikes the provision in the bill limiting the basing of the excise tax on a truck or truck tractor weighing more than 26,000 pounds or Class A special mobile equipment on the purchase price for the first 6 years of registration.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)