

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN

S.P. 273 - L.D. 827

An Act To Repeal the Laws Governing Truck Camper Registration

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §409, sub-§§1 to 3, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, are amended to read:

1. Collection of tax. The Secretary of State shall act at the time and place of registration on behalf of the State Tax Assessor to collect the sales or use tax due under Title 36, Part 3 for a vehicle ~~or truck camper~~ for which an original registration is required.

2. Documentation; payment of tax. Registration may not be issued, unless in addition to meeting the other registration requirements of this Title, the applicant has:

A. Submitted a dealer's certificate in a form prescribed by the State Tax Assessor, showing either that:

- (1) The sales tax due has been collected by the dealer; or
- (2) The sale of the vehicle ~~or truck camper~~ is not subject to tax; or

B. Properly signed a use tax certificate in a form prescribed by the State Tax Assessor and:

- (1) Paid the amount of tax due; or
- (2) Shown that the sale or use of the vehicle ~~or truck camper~~ is not subject to tax.

3. Collection fee. Each official shall retain from the use taxes collected a fee of \$1.25 for each vehicle ~~or truck camper~~, even if a certificate indicates that no use tax is due.

Retained fees must be transmitted to the Treasurer of State and credited to the Highway Fund.

Taxes collected must be transmitted to the Treasurer of State and credited to the General Fund.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §409, sub-§5, as amended by PL 2011, c. 240, §1, is further amended to read:

5. Other taxes. A motor vehicle, mobile home, or camp trailer ~~or truck camper~~ may not be registered until the excise tax or personal property tax or real estate tax has been paid in accordance with Title 36, sections 551, 602, 1482 and 1484. The Secretary of State may provide municipal excise tax collectors with a standard vehicle registration form for the collection of excise tax.

Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §502, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

1. Transferring registration. A person who transfers the ownership or discontinues the use of a registered motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer and applies for registration of another motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer in the same registration year may use the same number plates on payment of a transfer fee of \$8, as long as the registration fee is the same as that of the former vehicle. If the fee for the vehicle to be registered is greater than the fee for the vehicle first registered, that person must also pay the difference. If application is made for a ~~truck camper~~ or a trailer with a gross weight of 2,000 pounds or less, the transfer fee is \$5.

Sec. 4. 29-A MRSA §503, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

1. Replacements. Replacement registration plates are furnished to replace lost or mutilated plates or plates assigned to the registrant that have not been expired for more than 8 months. The fee for each plate is \$5.

Replacement registration validation devices for number plates ~~or truck campers~~ are furnished for 50¢ each.

Sec. 5. 29-A MRSA §508, as amended by PL 1999, c. 790, Pt. C, §10 and affected by §19, is repealed.