ENROLLED BILL

Second Extraordinary Session

SENATE BILL NO. 47

By Mr. Herold

PASSED December 13, 1933

IN EFFECT From PASSAGE
AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, article six, chapter sixty, acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, relating to automobile registration and registration plates.''

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, article six, chapter sixty, acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 2. Every owner of one or more vehicles, not expressly exempted by this article, shall make a separate application, in writing, properly verified for each vehicle, on a form provided by the state road commissioner, for permission to operate the same on the public roads of this state. In the
6 application for registration the applicant shall furnish such
7 information as the state road commissioner may require. Upon
8 receipt of such application, together with the fees hereafter
9 provided for, the state road commissioner shall file the applica-
10 tion and give to the same a distinguishing mark and number,
11 and shall issue to the owner of the vehicle a certificate of
12 registration, which shall contain the number or mark assigned
13 such vehicle, the name and place of residence of the owner
14 and his post office address, if the same shall be different from
15 his place of residence. Such certificate shall be of convenient
16 size and form, and shall be at all times carried upon such
17 vehicle, and shall be subject to examination and upon demand
18 by any proper officer, as herein provided. In addition to the
19 certificate of registration, the state road commissioner shall,
20 without additional charge, deliver to the owner metal plates
21 bearing the abbreviation of the name of this state, the year
22 for which issued, and the distinguishing mark or number
23 assigned to such vehicle. Such plates shall be known as regis-
24 tration plates. Each year there shall be chosen a color, or
25 combination of colors, for such registration plates, which shall
26 be as different as practicable from the color, or colors, used
27 on the plates of the preceding year, and the colors used for
28 the current year of the bordering states, and the numerals
29 and letters on such plates shall be of such color as to be shown
30 in marked contrast to the remainder of the plate. The plates
31 shall be of such size and character as the state road commis-
32 sioner may prescribe so as to properly accommodate the
33 numerals and other marks. An automobile shall be required
34 to carry two, and any other licensed motor vehicle one, of
35 such plates.
36 No motor vehicle shall be driven upon any of the highways
37 of this state without the proper registration plates fastened
38 thereon. Registration plates issued prior to the first of the
39 licensing year for which they are to be effective may be placed
40 on the vehicle for which issued, not more than ten days prior
41 to the first day of such licensing year, and used without addi-
42 tional registration fee: Provided, That the state road com-
43 missioner may extend the period during which said registration
44 plates may be used as aforesaid for such time as in his judg-
45 ment may seem best.
46 Any person, firm or corporation failing to carry the certificate
47 of registration, or who drives a motor vehicle without the
48 proper registration plates affixed thereto, or who changes the
48-a name, number or other identification information on the certifi-
49 cate of registration, or registration plates, shall be deemed
50 guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be fined
51 not less than ten nor more than one hundred dollars: Provided,
52 That in the case of a person to whom a certificate has been
53 issued, but who at the time of arrest has not the same with him,
54 the minimum fine shall be one dollar.
55 The provisions of this section shall apply both to the oper-
56 ator, or chauffeur, and to the owner who causes or knowingly
57 permits his vehicle to be operated without a certificate of
58 registration as herein provided.
Enrolled S. B. No. 47

R. E. Miller
Speaker of the House of Delegates

Clerk of the House of Delegates

H. M. Underwood
President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate

The within is approved

this 15th day of December, 1933.

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State of West Virginia. Dec 15, 1933

Wm. S. O'Brien,
Secretary of State

Governor