WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1994

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SENATE BILL NO. 489

(By Senator Miller)

PASSED March 9, 1994
In Effect 90 days from Passage
AN ACT to amend and reenact section three-a, article ten, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to antique motorcycles; defining antique motorcycles; establishing special registration fees; imposing certain restrictions on use; and establishing license and registration requirements.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section three-a, article ten, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 10. FEES FOR REGISTRATION, LICENSING, ETC.

§17A-10-3a. Special registration of antique motor vehicles and motorcycles.

1 (a) The annual registration fee for any antique motor vehicle or motorcycle as defined in this section is two dollars. "Antique motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle which is over twenty-five years old and is owned solely as a collector's item. "Antique motorcycle" means any motorcycle which is over thirty-five years old and is owned solely as a collector's item.
(b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, antique motor vehicles or motorcycles may not be used for general transportation but may only be used for:

(1) Participation in club activities, exhibits, tours, parades and similar events;

(2) The purpose of testing their operation, obtaining repairs or maintenance and transportation to and from events as described in subdivision (1); and

(3) Recreational purposes on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

(c) A West Virginia motor vehicle or motorcycle displaying license plates of the same year of issue as the model year of the antique motor vehicle or motorcycle, as authorized in this section, may be used for general transportation purposes if the following conditions are met:

(1) The license plate's physical condition has been inspected and approved by the division of motor vehicles;

(2) The license plate is registered to the specific motor vehicle or motorcycle by the division of motor vehicles;

(3) The owner of the motor vehicle or motorcycle annually registers the motor vehicle or motorcycle and pays an annual registration fee for the motor vehicle or motorcycle equal to that charged to obtain regular state license plates;

(4) The motor vehicle or motorcycle passes an annual safety inspection; and

(5) The motor vehicle or motorcycle displays a sticker attached to the license plate, issued by the division, indicating that the motor vehicle or motorcycle may be used for general transportation.

(d) If more than one request is made for license plates having the same number, the division shall accept only the first application.
(e) The commissioner may promulgate rules in accordance with the provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of this code as may be necessary or convenient for the carrying out of the provisions of this section.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

In effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved, this the ______ day of ______, 1994.

Governor