

No. 84

AN ACT

Amending the act of May one, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 905), entitled "An act for the protection of the public safety; regulating the use of highways, and the operation of vehicles, tractors, street cars, trackless trolley omnibuses, bicycles, pedestrians, and the riding of animals upon the highways of this Commonwealth; providing for the titling, including liens, encumbrances, and legal claims; registration of certain vehicles and licensing the operators thereof, upon payment of prescribed fees; prescribing and limiting the powers of local authorities to deal with the subject matter of this act; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue, the Department of Highways, peace officers, mayors, burgesses, magistrates, aldermen, justices of the peace, the courts and the clerks thereof, owners of vehicles, and garage keepers; providing that records are admissible as evidence; imposing upon owners, counties, cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, townships, within the Commonwealth, liability for damages caused by the negligent operation of their motor vehicles; imposing penalties; imposing certain costs upon counties; providing for the disposition of fines, forfeitures, fees, and miscellaneous receipts; making an appropriation and providing for refunds," changing the registration year for school buses.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

"The Vehicle Code."

Section 1. *Sections four hundred thirteen and five hundred ten, act of May one, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 905), know as "The Vehicle Code", amended January eighteen, one thousand nine hundred fifty-two (Pamphlet Laws 2163), are amended to read:

Sections 413 and 510, act of May 1, 1929, P. L. 905, amended January 18, 1952, P. L. 2163, further amended.

Section 413. Expiration of Registration.—(a) All registrations (*except as hereinafter provided*) shall be issued for a registration year commencing on April first of one year and expiring March thirty-first of the year following. [: Provided, That all registrations for commercial motor vehicles, motor buses, motor omnibuses, truck tractors, trailers and semi-trailers, for the registration year one thousand nine hundred fifty-three, shall expire May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred fifty-four: Provided further, That no registration for a commercial motor vehicle, motor bus, motor omnibus, truck tractor, trailer or semi-trailer, shall be issued for the registration year one thousand nine hundred fifty-three prior to the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three, unless the application therefor is accompanied by the annual fee prescribed, plus an additional fee equal to one-sixth thereof.]

(b) Commencing with the registration year one thousand nine hundred fifty-four, and thereafter, registrations for commercial motor vehicles (*except school buses*),

* "Section" in original.

motor buses, motor omnibuses, truck tractors, trailers and semi-trailers shall be issued for a registration year commencing on June first of one year and expiring May thirty-first of the year following.

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(c) Registrations for school buses for the registration year one thousand nine hundred fifty-five shall expire on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifty-six. No registration for a school bus shall be issued for the year one thousand nine hundred fifty-five prior to the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred fifty-five, unless the application is accompanied by the annual fee prescribed plus an additional fee equal to one-twelfth thereof. Commencing with the registration year one thousand nine hundred fifty-six and thereafter registrations for school buses shall be issued for a registration year commencing on July first of one year and expiring June thirtieth of the year following.

(d) Registrations shall also expire when suspended for cause by the secretary and immediately upon the transfer of ownership or the destruction of the vehicle. Registration for the succeeding year may, at the option of their holders, be used on and after the fifteenth day of the month immediately preceding the beginning of the current registration year.

Section 510. The Expiration of Registration Plates.—

(a) All registration plates (*except as hereinafter provided*) shall be issued for a registration year commencing on April first of one year and expiring March thirty-first of the year following. [Provided That all registration plates for commercial motor vehicles, motor buses, motor omnibuses, truck tractors, trailers and semi-trailers, for the registration year one thousand nine hundred fifty-three shall expire May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred fifty-four.] Commencing with the registration year one thousand nine hundred fifty-four and thereafter registration plate for commercial motor vehicles (*except school buses*), motor buses, motor omnibuses, truck tractors, trailers and semi-trailers, shall be issued for a registration year commencing on June first of one year and expiring May thirty-first of the year following. *All registration plates for school buses for the registration year one thousand nine hundred fifty-five shall expire on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred fifty-six. Commencing with the registration year one thousand nine hundred fifty-six and thereafter registration plates for school buses shall be issued for a registration year commencing on July first of one year and expiring June thirtieth of the year following.* Registration plates shall also expire when suspended for cause by the secretary. The registration plate or plates for the succeeding year

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may, at the option of the owner, be used on and after the fifteenth day of the month immediately preceding the beginning of the current registration year.

(b) No motor vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer shall be operated with a registration plate or plates which have expired nor without registration plate or plates on as required by this act, the claim by the owner or operator that the registration plate or plates for the current year have been applied for but not received.

Penalty.—Any person violating any of the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, shall, upon summary conviction before a magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of ten (\$10.00) dollars and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than five (5) days. Penalty.

Section 2. The purpose and intent of this act is, commencing with the registration year one thousand nine hundred fifty-six, to change the registration year for school buses from the period of June 1 to May 31 to the period of July 1 to June 30, without any ultimate loss of revenue for the use of the highways. To accomplish that end, registrations and registration plates issued for the registration year one thousand nine hundred fifty-five for school buses shall be valid until June thirty, one thousand nine hundred fifty-six. Purpose and intent.

APPROVED—The 7th day of July, A. D. 1955.

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No. 85

AN ACT

Amending the act of July eleven, one thousand nine hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws 1044), entitled "An act to authorize and provide for the transfer and retransfer of person or persons confined in any penitentiary, prison, workhouse, house of correction, or any other institution for adult prisoners, under sentence of law, to some other prison, penitentiary, workhouse, house of correction, or other institution for adult prisoners," providing for the transfers and returns of certain persons confined in county penal or correctional institutions, and providing for the payment of expenses and maintenance incident thereto.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The act of July eleven, one thousand nine hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws 1044), entitled "An act to authorize and provide for the transfer and retransfer of person or persons confined in any penitentiary, prison, workhouse, house of correction, or any

Penal Institutions.

Act of July 11, 1923, P. L. 1044, amended by adding new section 6.