

trol the same relinquished, but such area shall be forever reserved for landings, wharves, streets, and other conveniences of navigation and commerce.

Secretary of
state to
publish.

SEC. 2. The secretary of state shall cause the amendment in section 1 of this act to be published for three months next preceding said election in a weekly newspaper in every county where a newspaper is published throughout the state.

Passed the House March 7, 1931.

Passed the Senate March 10, 1931.

Filed March 23, 1931, without approval of the Governor.

CHAPTER 138.

[H. B. 72.]

MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSES.

AN ACT relating to the use of public highways, the licensing of motor vehicles, amending Chapter 96 of the Laws of 1921 of the State of Washington as amended by Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1929, and providing penalties for violation thereof, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. That section 5 of chapter 96 of the Laws of 1921 as amended (being section 6316 of Remington's Compiled Statutes of Washington) be further amended to read as follows:

Vetoed.

Section 5. Application for registration of a motor vehicle for license, or for duplicate license or plates, or correction or transfer of any license, shall be made on oath or affirmation to the director of licenses on blanks to be furnished by him. Such application shall be made by the owner of the vehicle, or his duly authorized agent, over the signature of such owner or agent on oath or affirmation that the statements therein are true. No notary public or other official administering such oath or

affirmation shall charge or collect any fee therefor. The application must show:

(1) True name and address of the owner of the vehicle.

(2) Trade name of the vehicle, model, year, type of body, factory number and motor number thereof, and whether or not the vehicle has been previously registered: *Provided*, In case the vehicle was not previously registered in the name of the applicant, the truth of the statements in this subdivision of this section required to be made in the application must also be signed and sworn to by the person, firm or corporation from whom the applicant acquired title to such vehicle, unless it shall be impossible to obtain such additional signature and/or oath, which fact shall be shown by affidavit attached to the application.

(3) Registration number, if any, assigned to such vehicle for the previous year, and if such vehicle was not registered in the previous year, the application must so state.

(4) The power to be used, whether electric, steam, gas or other power.

(5) The purpose for which said vehicle is to be used and the nature of the action requested.

(6) The rated carrying capacity of such vehicle, which in cases of autos for-hire, auto stages or auto stage trailers, shall be the adult seating capacity thereof and in cases of motor trucks or trailers shall be the rated capacity load as given by the manufacturer; *Provided*, That no license shall be issued on a truck or trailer for less than the rated carrying capacity as given by the manufacturer; *Provided, further*, That if the director of licenses is unable to obtain the rated carrying capacity of any particular make or model of truck or trailer he may, by general rules and regulations adopted and published from time to time, prescribe the method of ascertain-

Vetoed.

ing such rated carrying capacity and proof thereof by certificates, affidavit or otherwise.

(7) The weight of all motor vehicles propelled by gas, steam, electricity or fuel other than the liquid fuel upon the sale or use of which an excise tax is now or hereafter levied by the State of Washington.

(8) The maximum weight of the load desired at any time to be carried upon any motor truck or trailer, plus the gross weight of such truck or trailer. It shall be unlawful to operate upon any public highway in this state such truck or trailer when the combined weight of vehicle and load exceeds the combined weights set forth in such application, and/or permissible by other laws of this state, and any person convicted of a violation of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(9) Such other information as shall be required by the director of licenses.

Vetoed.

(10) Application for dealer's license shall be made direct to the director of licenses upon blanks to be furnished by him, accompanied by the fee as hereinafter provided. Such application shall be made by the dealer or his authorized agent and he shall certify that the statements therein are true to the best of his knowledge. The application must show:

(a) Name under which business is conducted.

(b) Location of business (street, city or town and county).

(c) Name and address of all owners or persons having an interest in the business, except that in case of a corporation the name and address of the two principal officers will be sufficient.

(d) Name and make of all new vehicles handled.

(e) Whether or not used cars are handled.

(f) A certificate to the effect that the applicant is a *bona fide* dealer in motor vehicles, with an established place of business at the location given, such

certificate to be signed by the chief of police or town marshal (if in an incorporated city or town).

(g) Such other information as shall be required by the director of licenses.

No application for registration shall be granted unless the applicant complies in all respects with this section and unless the application contains a full, true and correct statement of all information required by this section.

Any person making any false statement in any such application shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Vetoed.

SEC. 2. That section 3 of chapter 99 of the Laws of 1929 amending section 8 of chapter 96 of the Laws of 1921, section 6319, Remington's Compiled Statutes, be amended by striking the whole thereof and substituting therefor a new section 8 to read as follows:

Amends § 3, ch. 99, Laws of 1929; § 8, ch. 96, Laws of 1921; § 6319 Rem. Comp. Stat.

Section 8. In case of transfer, of the ownership of any motor vehicle, the right of possession of the license and number plates issued therefor shall pass to the purchaser or transferee and it shall be unlawful for the holder of said license to fail, neglect or refuse to endorse the license certificate and deliver it and/or such plates to the purchaser. Any person who shall fail, neglect or refuse to make such endorsement and delivery shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. In case endorsement and/or possession of the license certificate and/or plates for any reason cannot be had, the person entitled thereto by this section may set forth the facts by affidavit filed with his application for transfer, but it shall be unlawful for any person to operate such motor vehicle upon any public road or highway under such license until application for approval of such transfer shall have been made to the director of licenses in writing upon such form as he may prescribe and until a transfer fee of one dollar (\$1.00) and any other fees due or to become due the State of Washington by reason of

License transferred on transfer of ownership.

Endorsement of certificate.

Not obtainable, application.

Fee.

the use to which such vehicle is thereafter put or to be put, shall have been paid in the same manner and at the same rate as provided for the original registration of such vehicle for such purpose; *Provided*, That after July first of any calendar year only one-half the seating or load fees, as the case may be, shall be collected; *And provided, further*, That in case of the loss or destruction, transfer or sale of any truck, bus, or trailer, taxi-cab or for-hire car, the owner thereof may retain the right to the load or seat fees to apply in licensing such vehicle as may be procured in replacement thereof. Upon receipt of an application for transfer of a license accompanied by such license and/or other documents of transfer herein referred to and the proper fee or fees, and when and if reasonably satisfied that the applicant is entitled to the transfer, the director of licenses shall issue to the applicant a new license certificate bearing the number of the plates issued for the then current calendar year, for the vehicle described therein, as the case may be, *Provided, further*, That in case of change in classification, new plates shall be issued accordingly, and an additional fee of one dollar (\$1.00) shall be paid and collected. Except as herein provided, the number plates issued to any motor vehicle shall be displayed thereon during the calendar year for which the same are issued.

New license.

Change in classification.

Effective immediately.

SEC. 3. This act is necessary for the public health and safety and for the support of the state and its existing institutions and section 2 hereof shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House February 21, 1931.

Passed the Senate March 9, 1931.

Approved by the Governor, except section 1, which is vetoed, March 21, 1931.