

## No. 238

## AN ACT

## SB 1417

Amending the act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58), entitled "An act consolidating and revising the Vehicle Code, the Tractor Code, the Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Act and other acts relating to the ownership, possession and use of vehicles and tractors," changing the procedure for issuing registrations and registration plates.

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

Section 1. Section 415 and subsection (a) of section 511, act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58), known as "The Vehicle Code," are amended to read:

Section 415. Expiration of Registration.—

(a) All registrations, except registrations as otherwise provided herein, shall be issued for a registration period of one year commencing on [April first of one year] such month and day as the secretary shall designate of the year the registration is issued and expiring [March thirty-first] on such month and day as the secretary shall designate of the year following: Provided, That any initial registration of a vehicle issued after the effective date of this amending act may be issued for any period of time not to exceed two <sup>1</sup>(2) years.

[(b) Commencing with the registration year 1954 and thereafter, registrations 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.]

(c) Commencing with the registration year 1956 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] such registration year.

<sup>1</sup> "(2)" not in original.

(e) Registrations of antique motor vehicles shall be for the duration of the time that such vehicles are owned by residents of Pennsylvania.

Section 511. Expiration of Registration Plates.—

(a) All registration plates, except as hereinafter provided, shall be issued for a registration period of one year commencing on [April first of one year] such month and day as the secretary shall designate of the year the registration is issued and expiring [March thirty-first] on such month and day as the secretary shall designate of the year following: Provided, That any initial registration plates of a vehicle issued after the effective date of this amending act may be issued for any period of time not to exceed two years.

Registration plates shall also expire when suspended for cause by the secretary. The registration plate or plates for a registration year may, at the option of the owner, be used on and after the fifteenth day of the month immediately preceding the beginning of such registration year.

[Registration plates 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. Registration plates shall also expire when suspended for cause by the secretary. The registration plate or plates for a registration year may, at the option of the owner, be used on and after the fifteenth day of the month immediately preceding the beginning of such registration year: Provided, That such plate or plates may be so used on and after the first day of the month immediately preceding the beginning of the registration year, if the vehicle is a trailer or semi-trailer which was also registered for the immediately preceding registration year.]

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

Registration plates for antique motor vehicles shall be issued for the duration of the time that such vehicles are owned by residents of Pennsylvania. The registration plates issued for any antique motor vehicle shall be returned to the department upon transfer of the title to any such vehicle to a nonresident of Pennsylvania or when suspended for cause by the secretary.

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APPROVED—The 31st day of July, A. D., 1968.

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No. 239

AN ACT

SB 1640

Amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P. L. 789), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to insurance; establishing an insurance department; and amending, revising, and consolidating the law relating to the licensing, qualification, regulation, examination, suspension, and dissolution of insurance companies, Lloyds associations, reciprocal and inter-insurance exchanges, and certain societies and orders, the examination and regulation of fire insurance rating bureaus, and the licensing and regulation of insurance agents and brokers; the service of legal process upon foreign insurance companies, associations or exchanges; providing penalties, and repealing existing laws," further regulating the issuance of certificates of authority to insurance companies, associations, and exchanges of other states and foreign governments; defining what constitutes the doing of an insurance business within the Commonwealth; empowering the Insurance Commissioner, with the approval of the Attorney General, to seek to enjoin the doing of an insurance business within the Commonwealth under certain circumstances; and providing for service of process upon certain insurance companies, associations and exchanges of other states and foreign governments.

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

Section 1. Sections 208 and 209, act of May 17, 1921 (P. L. 789), known as "The Insurance Department Act of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one," are amended to read:

Section 208. Certificates of Authority To Do Business.—[The Insurance Commissioner shall issue certificates of authority to insurance companies, associations, and exchanges of other States and foreign governments. He] (a) No insurance company, association, or exchange of another state or foreign government shall do an insurance business within this Commonwealth without first having obtained a certificate of authority from the Insurance Commissioner authorizing such company, association or exchange to do such business. Before granting such a certificate of authority to an insurance company, association or exchange, the commissioner shall be satisfied, by such examination as he may make or by such evidence as he may require