No. 268

AN ACT

HB 2460

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," providing for reflectorized plates.

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

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 501, act of April 29, 1959 (P.L.58), known as "The Vehicle Code," is amended to read:

Section 501. Registration Plates to be Furnished by Department.—

Such registration plates may be made of metal or other suitable material, and each plate shall have displayed upon it the registration number assigned to the vehicle or tractor for the current year, the name of the Commonwealth, which may be abbreviated, and any other identification the department may deem necessary. The required letters and numerals on such plate or plates shall be not more than five (5) inches in height, to be plainly legible from a distance of one hundred (100) feet during daylight, except that the required letters and figures on motorcycle, motorcycle dealer, and bicycle with motor attached, plates shall be not more than three and one-half (3 1/2) inches in height. To promote safety and to facilitate the identification of plate letters and numerals at night, the department shall require that all registration plates, beginning with the first general issuance subsequent to 1971, shall be treated with special materials so as to make the background fully reflective and the letters and numerals thereon readable at night for a minimum distance of one hundred (100) feet with other illumination, and upon issuance of such reflectorized registration plates the department may charge a fee not to exceed five cents (5¢) above actual cost in addition to all other fees which may be required. * * *

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 1st day of December, A. D. 1970.

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The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 268.

Secretary of the Commonwealth.