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Introduced by M. of A. REILICH -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to the registration of trailers used to transport vintage motor vehicles

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Schedule G of subdivision 7 of section 401 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by section 25 of part G of chapter 59 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:

G. Schedule for historical motor vehicles AND TRAILERS. For each motor vehicle OR TRAILER which is owned and operated as an exhibition piece or collectors item, and is used for participation in club activities, exhibit, tours, parades, occasional transportation and similar uses, but not used for general daily transportation, an annual fee of twenty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents. For purposes of this paragraph, a historical motor vehicle OR TRAILER shall mean any vehicle OR TRAILER manufactured more than twenty-five years prior to the current calendar year, and any other model, year and type vehicle OR TRAILER which has unique characteristics and which is determined by the commissioner to be of historical, classic or exhibition value. Registration plates for such vehicles AND TRAILERS shall be of a type and design approved by the commissioner, but shall be of a distinctive nature. Except that, with the approval of the commissioner, an owner of any such vehicle OR TRAILER may utilize registration plates issued in the year corresponding to the model year date in which the vehicle OR TRAILER was manufactured, if the registration plate is legible, durable, and serviceable, of this state, and accurate in color, as determined by the department. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prohibit the use of previously issued registration plates that have been restored, without deviation from their original alphanumeric or pictorial content, to such condition as otherwise satisfies all applicable requirements.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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Such plates shall be used only for the operation of the motor vehicle OR TRAILER listed on the registration application and on other motor vehicles which would qualify for registration under this schedule owned by persons other than the registrant for the purpose of test driving by the registrant or his or her agent in anticipation of possible purchase. No such registration will be issued unless evidence of financial security, in a form prescribed by the commissioner, is submitted which provides coverage for the motor vehicle listed on the registration application and for non-owned motor vehicles being operated with such plates. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS OF SUBDIVISION EIGHT OF THIS SECTION, THE OWNER OF A HISTORICAL MOTOR VEHICLE MAY OBTAIN DISTINCTIVE REGISTRATION PLATES UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBDIVISION FOR A HISTORICAL TRAILER WHICH SHALL BE USED TO TRANSPORT SUCH HISTORICAL MOTOR VEHICLE. THE FEES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN SUBDIVISION EIGHT OF THIS SECTION WITH RESPECT TO THE REGISTRATION OF TRAILERS SHALL CONTINUE TO APPLY.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law.