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## No. 2131.

An Act to enact certain provisions relating to the registration of motor vehicles, and for other purposes.

[Assented to, November 30th, 1933.]

**B**E it Enacted by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows :

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the " Motor Vehicles Act, 1933 ". Short titles.  
(2) The Motor Vehicles Acts, 1921 to 1932, and this Act may be cited together as the " Motor Vehicles Acts, 1921 to 1933 ".  
(3) The Motor Vehicles Act, 1921, is hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act".
2. This Act is incorporated with the Motor Vehicles Acts, 1921 Incorporation. to 1932, and those Acts and this Act shall be read as one Act.
3. (1) The Registrar of Motor Vehicles shall prepare and keep in his office available for public inspection a list containing the usual names or designations of all models of motor cars commonly in use, and stating the standard power-weight of motor cars of each model when constructed and equipped as mentioned in the list. Provision for ascertaining power-weight.  
(2) The power-weight shown in the list as the standard power-weight of motor cars of any model shall be the power-weight of every motor car of that model, unless—
  - (a) the owner at the time of applying for registration, objects to the power-weight as so shown ; or
  - (b) the

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(b) the motor car has some attachment or alteration affecting its weight and not taken into account in computing the power-weight shown in the list.

(3) The owner of any motor car who objects to the determination of the power-weight by reference to the list may—

(a) weigh the motor car on a public weighbridge in the presence of the Registrar or a person nominated by him; and

(b) strip his engine or power unit for measure or examination by the Registrar or a person nominated by him,

in which case the weight shall be calculated in accordance with the weighbridge certificate, and the horse power in accordance with the measurements of the Registrar or the authorised person.

Determination of power-weight by other means.

4. Where an applicant applies for registration of—

(a) any motor car the power-weight of which cannot be ascertained from the list; or

(b) any motor vehicle other than a motor car,

the Registrar may require the applicant for registration to produce a weighbridge certificate showing the weight of the vehicle or any other evidence of the weight or horsepower of the vehicle.

Mode of computing weight.

5. In computing the weight of a motor vehicle for the purpose of ascertaining the registration fee the weight shall be computed as if the petrol tank were empty.

Power of Registrar to extend time for certain applications.

6. (1) The Registrar of Motor Vehicles may in his discretion extend the period within which applications for the transfer or cancellation of registration of a motor vehicle under section 8F of the principal Act may be lodged.

(2) This section shall be deemed to have been in operation since the enactment of the said section 8F.

Position of registration card.

7. (1) Subsection (2) of section 8C of the principal Act is repealed, and the following section substituted therefor:—

(2) Every registration card or the prescribed part thereof shall throughout the period during which the registration remains in force be affixed to and carried on the motor vehicle for which the card is issued, in accordance with the regulations.

(2) Section 8E of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1921 (as enacted by section 5 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1929), is amended by adding at the end of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) the words “or take such other action in relation to the said card as is prescribed by regulation”.

(3) Section 8F of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1921 (as enacted by section 6 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1932), is amended by inserting after the word “section” in the second line thereof the words “or taking the prescribed action in relation to the card”.

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8. Where the ownership of a registered motor vehicle is transferred before the end of the period for which it was registered, and the transferor within twenty-one days of the transfer applies to register another motor vehicle, the Registrar shall make such refund in respect of the transferred vehicle and such charge for the registration of the other vehicle—

Provision as to fees on change of vehicles.

- (a) that in respect of the month in which the application is made the transferor pays one-twelfth of the annual registration fee for one vehicle only, plus a transfer fee of two shillings and sixpence :
- (b) if the fees for the registration of the vehicles are different the said one-twelfth shall be computed on the basis of the greater fee.

9. Where, owing to understatement of the power-weight of any motor vehicle, that vehicle has before the commencement of this Act been registered at a fee less than the fee fixed by law, the Treasurer, if satisfied that the understatement was not fraudulent, may remit the balance of the fee, or any part of that balance, and if the balance has been recovered from the owner, may refund the whole or any part thereof if he thinks circumstances warrant that action.

Power to remit fees in certain cases.

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

A. HORE-RUTHVEN, Governor.