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TO PROVIDE FOR THE NUMBERING OF PUBLIC VEHICLES AND
CARTS AND TO REGULATE THE FARES PAYABLE IN
RESPECT OF PUBLIC CARRIAGES.

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Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Law.

Interpreta-
tion.

2. In this Law—

“carriage” means any conveyance whether drawn by one or more animals or propelled or drawn by mechanical means, and includes public vehicles and public carriages;

“Principal Officer of Police” means the Superintendent or the officer in command of the police of the district;

“proprietor” means every person who, either alone or in partnership with any other person, keeps any carriage;

“public carriage” means any carriage for the conveyance of passengers which plies for hire;

“public vehicle” means any vehicle drawn by one or more animals which is ordinarily used for the carriage of passengers or goods for hire and includes a public carriage;

3. It shall be unlawful—

- (a) for any person to drive a public vehicle on any public road or street unless such vehicle has been numbered in accordance with this Law; and
- (b) for any proprietor of a carriage constructed for conveying merchandise or other materials or things to use or to permit it to be used on any public road or street unless such carriage has been numbered in accordance with this Law.

Obligation to have certain vehicles numbered.

4. (1) Every proprietor of a public vehicle or of a carriage constructed for conveying merchandise or other materials or things shall apply to the Principal Officer of Police for the issue to him of a number for such vehicle or carriage.

Issue of numbered plates.

(2) The Principal Officer of Police, whenever he assigns a number to such public vehicle or carriage, shall issue to the proprietor thereof a plate on which shall be legibly printed or marked the name, or a letter or letters indicating the name, of the district in which the plate is issued and the number so assigned, and the proprietor shall place and affix the plate in such place on the public vehicle or carriage and in such manner as the Principal Officer of Police shall deem best for rendering the number at all times plainly and distinctly visible.

(3) Upon the issue of a plate a fee of fifty mills shall be paid by the proprietor of the vehicle or carriage.

5. Before issuing such plate the Principal Officer of Police shall record the number, and the name and address of the person to whom it is issued in a book to be kept for the purpose and shall sign the same, and a copy thereafter made from such book and certified under the hand of the Principal Officer of Police to be a true copy shall be received as conclusive proof of all that is therein stated.

Register of numbers.

Procedure
on transfer.

6. (1) Whenever the proprietor of any carriage or public vehicle which has been numbered under the authority of this Law transfers it to any other person he and the transferee shall forthwith notify the transfer in writing or personally to the Principal Officer of Police in the district in which such transfer takes place, and it shall be the duty of the transferee to apply to have the carriage or vehicle renumbered in his name according to the provisions of this Law, and any omission to comply with the provisions of this section shall be deemed an offence under this Law.

(2) Upon receiving notice of the transfer the Principal Officer of Police shall make such entries in the book required to be kept under this Law as may be necessary to record the transfer and shall communicate the fact of the transfer to such other Principal Officer of Police as it may concern.

Prohibition
to use unsafe
public
carriages.

7. (1) If the Principal Officer of Police is at any time satisfied after inspection that any public carriage is not in a safe condition to be used he shall forthwith give notice in writing to the proprietor stating in what the unsafeness consists and prohibiting the use of such carriage until the same is put in such a safe condition as the Principal Officer of Police may deem sufficient:

Provided that any proprietor aggrieved by any decision of the Principal Officer of Police under this subsection may apply to the Commissioner of the district who shall as soon as possible inspect the carriage and may if he thinks fit cancel the notice.

(2) If while such notice remains in force and uncanceled by the Commissioner or the Principal Officer of Police any such public carriage is used the proprietor thereof shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one pound for each time it is so used.

Offence to
use vehicle
unnumbered
or number
illegible.

8. (a) The proprietor of any public carriage or carriage constructed for conveying merchandise or other materials or things who uses or allows the same to be used on any public road or street without having a plate fixed thereon in accordance with this Law, or having such plate or any part thereof defaced or covered purposely so as to be illegible, and

Overloading
carriage.

(b) the proprietor of any public carriage who uses or allows the same to be used for carrying such a number of