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[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 2. "Bicycle" means every device propelled by human power upon which a person may ride, having two tandem wheels either of which is over 14 inches in diameter, or any device generally recognized as a bicycle though equipped with two front or rear wheels, or a unicycle.

[For text of subds 3 to 5, see M.S.1976]

[1977 c 41 s 1]

168C.03 Applications.

On or after March 1, 1977 any owner of a bicycle may apply for registration of the bicycle to the commissioner, to any deputy registrar of motor vehicles acting pursuant to section 168.33 or to any deputy registrar of bicycles appointed by the commissioner pursuant to section 168C.11. Applications shall contain the name and address of the owner, the signature of the owner, the name and address of the person from whom purchased, the date of purchase, the date of registration, the make, serial number, and any additional information as the commissioner may require. Applications shall be on a three part form provided by the commissioner. The original shall be retained by or immediately forwarded to the commissioner, the second copy shall be retained by the purchaser and the third copy shall be retained for one year by the deputy registrar, if any, who received the application. The commissioner shall designate a number to be stamped or otherwise permanently affixed on the frames of bicycles on which no serial number can be found, or on which the number is illegible or insufficient for identification purposes.

[1977 c 41 s 2]

168C.07 License plates.

The commissioner shall provide to the registrant a suitable registration card having the registration number stamped thereon and indicating the date of registration, the make and serial number of the bicycle, the owner's name and address, and any additional information as the commissioner may require. Information concerning each registration shall be retained by the commissioner. The commissioner shall issue a license plate which shall be securely attached to the bicycle covered by the registration. Upon a satisfactory showing that the license plate or registration card has been lost or destroyed the commissioner shall issue a replacement license plate or registration card upon payment of a fee of \$1. All fees so collected shall be deposited to the general fund.

[1977 c 41 s 3]

168C.11 Deputy registrars of bicycles.

Subdivision 1. Appointment. Subject to the provisions of subdivision 2, the commissioner shall appoint as deputy registrars of bicycles any bicycle dealer, or agent or employee thereof, or any agent or employee designated by a municipality that sells bicycles at public auction who applies for appointment in a manner prescribed by the commissioner; provided that concurrently there may be no more than one such deputy for each separate place of business of a bicycle dealer. Deputy*registrars of bicycles shall act as agents of the commissioner and may accept registrations as provided in Laws 1976, Chapter 199, except that no deputy registrar of bicycles shall be required to register bicycles sold by other bicycle dealers.

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The commissioner, deputy registrars of motor vehicles, and deputy registrars of bicycles may charge and retain an additional 50 cents per registration granted for their services. In the case of a deputy registrar of motor vehicles, the 50 cents shall be deposited in the treasury of the place for which he is appointed, or if the deputy is not a public official he shall retain the filling fee. All other registration fees collected by the commissioner, deputy registrars of motor vehicles and deputy registrars of bicycles shall be processed, accounted for and transmitted to the state treasurer as required by the commissioner.

Subd. 2. Denial, suspension or revocation of appointments. The commissioner, without prior notice or hearing, may issue an order denying, suspending or revoking any appointment made or applied for pursuant to this section if he finds that the applicant or deputy registrar of bicycles has violated or failed to comply with any provision of Laws 1976, Chapter 199 or any rule adopted hereunder. Upon the entry of such an order the commissioner shall promptly serve a copy thereof on the applicant or deputy registrar of bicycles. The order shall state the reasons for its issuance and, in the case of a suspension or revocation of appointment, shall specify that upon the written request of the deputy registrar of bicycles the matter will be set for hearing within 15 days after the receipt of the request, provided that with the consent of the deputy registrar of bicycles a hearing may be held subsequent to the expiration of the period specified herein. If no hearing is requested, the order will remain in effect until it is modified or vacated by the commissioner. If a hearing is requested, the commissioner, after notice and hearing in accordance with the provisions of chapter 15, shall affirm, modify or vacate the order.

[1977 c 41 s 4,5]

168C.12 Administration.

The commissioner shall adopt rules for the implementation and administration of Laws 1976, Chapter 199 no later than March 1, 1977. The commissioner shall begin to accept registrations and implement Laws 1976, Chapter 199 on March 1, 1977. Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the commissioner from contracting any service provided under Laws 1976, Chapter 199 to any private person or entity or other unit of government.

[1977 c 41 s 6]

168C.13 Registration by political subdivisions.

Subdivision 1. After February 28, 1977, no political subdivision may license or register bicycles except as a deputy registrar pursuant to section 168C.11, subdivision 1. However, any political subdivision which had such power prior to March 1, 1977, may thereafter require that any or all bicycles used or ridden upon any highway, street, alley, sidewalk or other public property within the boundaries thereof shall be registered. Applications for new registrations required pursuant to this subdivision shall be made to the commissioner in the same manner and subject to the same regulations, fees and penalties as those made voluntarily pursuant to section 168C.03.

[For text of subd 2, see M.S.1976]

[1977 c 41 s 7]