Chapter 175

VEHICLES FOR HIRE

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Callahan: Art. I, 11-6-1932 as Ord. No. B-7; Art. II, 8-16-1954 as Ord. No. 6-1954. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

License to drive buses and commercial vehicles — See Ch. 80. Streets and sidewalks — See Ch. 158.

ARTICLE I Driver Licenses [Adopted 11-6-1932 as Ord. No. B-7]

§ 175-1. Fees.

An automobile driver's license for each individual driver of a motor bus for hire and each individual driver of a motor truck for hire is hereby fixed as follows:

- A. For each individual driver of any motor bus for hire operating on or over the streets of the Town of Callahan: ten dollars (\$10.).
- B. For each individual driver of any motor truck for hire operating on or over the streets of the Town of Callahan: ten dollars (\$10.).

§ 175-2. Payment required.

From and after the passage of this Article, no person shall engage in the driving of any motor bus for hire or any motor truck for hire which operates upon or over the streets of the Town of Callahan without first having paid the occupation license hereby required.

§ 175-3. Term of license; issuance after half-year.

Licenses shall expire on the 31st day of December of each year. No license shall be issued for more than one (1) year, and for each license obtained from July 1 to December 31, one-half (1/2) of the full tax for one (1) year shall be paid.

§ 175-4. Penalties for offenses.

Any person violating the provisions of this Article shall be subject to a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.), or be imprisoned not more than thirty (30) days.

ARTICLE II Business Licenses [Adopted 8-16-1954 as Ord. No. 6-1954]

§ 175-5. License tax required; amount.

All persons, firms or corporations engaged in or carrying on the business of renting or hiring to the general public automobiles or other motor vehicles, either with or without drivers, shall pay a license tax on said business in the sum of ten dollars (\$10.) and, in addition thereto, when more than one (1) vehicle is used in such business, the sum of ten dollars (\$10.) on each such vehicle exceeding one (1).

§ 175-6. Bond; indemnification.

All persons or corporations engaged in or carrying on the business of renting or hiring motor vehicles, either with or without drivers, shall furnish, at the request of the Mayor, and shall file in the office of the Town Clerk a personal bond in the amount of not more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.), on such terms or conditions as the Mayor shall require or, in lieu of said personal bond, sufficient and competent evidence acceptable to the Mayor, showing that the applicant has procured insurance sufficient to compensate any passengers or other persons for damage to their person or property. The purpose of this provision is to indemnify any person or persons for losses occasioned by damage to their person or property, and sufficient bond or insurance policy shall be required to accomplish this purpose. The amount is left solely to the discretion of the Mayor, but any person feeling aggrieved may, within thirty (30) days after the order of the Mayor setting such amount, appeal to the Town Council, which may by a majority vote of those present reduce said amount set by the Mayor.

§ 175-7. Penalties for offenses.

Any person, firm or corporation that shall carry on, conduct or continue the operation of the business of renting or hiring to the general public automobiles or other motor vehicles without complying with the provisions of this Article shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.) or imprisoned not more than ninety (90) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Each and every day such business is so conducted without having filed such bond or insurance policy shall constitute a separate offense.