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Private Acts of 1955 Chapter 398

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Sincerely,

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SECTION 1. That in counties of this State having a population of not less than 23,600, nor more than 23,700, by the Federal Census of 1950, or any subsequent Federal Census, there is hereby established an Automobile Racing Commission and no person, firm or corporation shall conduct an automobile race without a permit from said Commission.

At its next regular term occurring more than 30 days after final legislative action hereon, the quarterly county court of any county to which this act may apply, shall select three qualified persons to constitute such Commission. They shall serve at the will of such court and shall receive no compensation but shall be entitled to their reasonable expenses.

Any person, firm or corporation desiring to conduct automobile races in the county to which this act applies shall make application to such Commission for a permit therefor. The application shall state the time and place of the proposed race or races and their probable duration but no permit shall serve to allow any such race on Sunday.

On hearing of such application, the Commission shall consider the public welfare, to what extent a nuisance will be created thereby, by noise or otherwise, to what extent traffic congestion will occur on public thoroughfares and whether the same will interfere with the public peace and tranquility to such an extent that it should not be allowed and a fee of \$1.00 to go to the general fund of the county shall accompany each application for a permit hereunder. Permits shall issue in the sound discretion of the Commission, subject to the above restrictions and limitations.

SECTION 2. That this Act shall have no effect unless the same shall have been approved by two-thirds vote of the quarterly county court of any county to which it may apply on or before the next regular meeting of such quarterly county court occurring more than thirty days after its approval by the Chief Executive of this State. Its approval or non-approval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the body having jurisdiction to approve or the reverse, and shall be certified by him to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 3. That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it. Passed: March 17, 1955.

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