name of either spouse individually is transferred to their joint names, the same registration plates, if desired by the transferee, may continue to be used on the vehicle after the transfer as were used before. In all other respects the transfer shall be treated the same way as any other transfer by a private owner of a registered vehicle.

§ 3-504. Transfer by operation of law.

- (a) If the title of an owner in a registered vehicle passes to another other than by voluntary transfer, the registration thereof shall expire and the vehicle shall not be operated upon the highways unless and until the person entitled to possession of the vehicle shall apply for and obtain registration thereof, except that the vehicle may be operated by the person entitled to its possession or his authorized representative upon the highways of this State for a distance not exceeding 200 miles, but only from the place such person or his authorized representative obtained possession of such vehicle to the person's place of business, residence, or other place such vehicle is to be kept. During this operation the registration plates issued to the former owner may be displayed upon the vehicle. After this operation is completed, or prior thereto upon the request of the owner or the department, any person who has obtained possession of a registered vehicle after title has passed other than by voluntary transfer shall return the vehicle's registration plates to the former owner or to the department. After this request it is unlawful for any person, other than the person to whom the registration plates were originally issued, to have them in his possession, whether or not such plates are in use.
- (b) If the title of an owner in or to a registered vehicle passes to a legatee or distributee as a result of testamentary disposition or intestate devolution, the legatee or distributee, during the course of the administration of the estate, shall be entitled to operate the vehicle upon the highways of this State until the expiration of the current registration in the name of the deceased, without the necessity of applying for and obtaining registration in his own name.

§ 3-505. Scrapping, dismantling, or destroying vehicles.

Any person who scraps, dismantles, or destroys a vehicle and any person who purchases a vehicle as scrap or to be dismantled or destroyed shall immediately cause the registration card and license plates to be mailed or delivered to the department for cancellation unless the registration plates are transferred to another vehicle pursuant to this subtitle.

Part VI—Special Plates for Dealers, Transporters and Finance Companies

§ 3-601. Operation of vehicles under dealers' plates.

(a) A registered dealer owning any vehicle WHICH IS MAINLY USED IN HIS BUSINESS AND WHICH IS otherwise required to be registered under this subtitle may operate or move it upon the highways solely for purposes of transporting, testing, demonstrating, or selling it without registering the vehicle, upon condition that the vehicle displays thereon in the manner prescribed in section 3-411 one dealer's registration plate issued to the owner by the department.