

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 256

In Senate, March 26, 1919.

Reported by Mr. Lord from Committee on Public Utilities
and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

P. F. CRANE, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN

AN ACT to Provide for the Jurisdiction of the Public Utilities
Commission Over Certain Motor Vehicles.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. The public utilities commission shall, upon
2 written complaint made against any person, firm or corpora-
3 tion operating any motor vehicle upon any public street or
4 way for the carriage of passengers or freight or both, for
5 hire, by ten persons, firms, corporations or associations ag-
6 grieved thereby, after reasonable notice and hearing deter-
7 mine and fix the terms and conditions and make all rules
8 and regulations under which said motor vehicles may be so
9 operated.

Sect. 2. Whenever said commission shall decide to allow
2 the operation of such motor vehicles for such purposes they
3 shall also determine and fix upon a bond with good and
4 sufficient sureties or surety to be approved by them, and de-
5 posited with the state treasurer, conditioned that the person
6 or corporation issuing the same shall be directly liable for
7 and shall pay all damages, not exceeding twenty-five hun-
8 dred dollars to any one person, that may be recovered
9 against the operator or owner of the motor vehicle described
10 therein by reason of the negligent use and operation of such
11 motor vehicle. All such bonds shall be numbered and all
12 vehicles covered by such bond shall have the corresponding
13 numbers with the words 'bonded carrier' permanently affixed
14 to both sides of such vehicle.

Sect. 3. Any person, firm or corporation who shall fail to
2 comply with the orders of said commission in operating any
3 such motor vehicle shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor
4 and upon conviction shall be subject to a fine not exceeding
5 one hundred dollars or imprisonment not exceeding ninety
6 days for each offence.