

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Eighty-eighth and Eighty-ninth  
Legislatures

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

From April 24, 1937 to April 21, 1939

AND

MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS

---

Published by the Secretary of State, in conjunction  
with the Revisor of Statutes in accordance with the  
Resolves of the Legislature approved June 28, 1820,  
March 18, 1840, March 16, 1842 and Acts approved  
August 6, 1930 and April 2, 1931.

---

KENNEBEC JOURNAL  
AUGUSTA, MAINE  
1939

---

---

PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Eighty-ninth Legislature

1939

---

---

## CHAP. 128

power to hear and determine appeals from the refusal of building permits and to permit exceptions to or variations from the zoning regulations in the class of cases or situations and in accordance with the principles, conditions and procedure specified in the zoning ordinance and to recommend amendments thereto.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 5, § 143, amended. Section 143 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following words:

'The ordinance may be amended and its regulations, zoning boundaries and zone classifications changed in accordance with provisions set up in the ordinance or by-law, but no such amendment or change shall be made until after public hearing thereon, notice of which hearing shall be published once a week for 3 successive weeks before the hearing, the 3rd notice to be within 10 days of the date of hearing, in a newspaper published in the city, town, or village corporation, if a newspaper is published in said city, town or village corporation, but, if no newspaper is published in the city, town or village corporation, then in a newspaper that is published in the county in which said city, town or village corporation is located. If amendments or changes in the ordinance are submitted to the voters, the question shall be submitted in this form: "Shall the proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance be accepted?"'

Approved March 30, 1939.

---

---

## Chapter 128

### AN ACT Relative to Motor Vehicles Carrying Passengers for Hire.

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

R. S., c. 66, § 2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 66 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 2. Commission to make rules and regulations governing use of said motor vehicles. Said commission is hereby authorized to make from time to time rules and regulations governing the operation of said motor vehicles, which shall include provisions concerning the route of operation, schedule to be operated and maintained, rates of fare to be charged for the carriage of passengers, the safeguarding of passengers and other persons using the streets and highways, and in such cases as the said commission, after notice given to motor carriers operating under the provisions of chapter 259 of the public laws of 1933, as amended, and to the extent therein provided, and after hearing, at which persons protesting shall be heard on

such matters as may be applicable under this or other laws, finds it to be in the public interest, it may authorize the transportation of baggage, mail and express for hire, in the passenger motor vehicles operated by said carrier, subject to such terms, conditions and restrictions as said commission may prescribe, and such other reasonable regulations as may be deemed necessary for the safety or convenience of the public. The power and authority conferred upon the public utilities commission in section 59 of chapter 62 is hereby made applicable to the provisions of this chapter.'

Approved March 30, 1939.

---

## Chapter 129

### AN ACT Relating to the Operation of Busses.

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

R. S., c. 66, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 66 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following words: 'Application for an original certificate shall be accompanied by a fee of \$25; yearly renewals and amendments requiring a public hearing, by a fee of \$15; and transfer of a certificate, by a fee of \$15. The funds so received by said commission shall be used to defray the expenses of said commission in connection therewith.'

Approved March 30, 1939.

---

## Chapter 130

### AN ACT Authorizing Towns to Employ a Town Manager or to Form Unions for the Purpose.

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

**Sec. 1. Town manager form of government.** Any town, at the annual town meeting, or at a special town meeting, provided an appropriate article has been inserted in the warrant for such meeting, may vote to employ a town manager, or to form a union with one or more other towns in the employment of a town manager, and may delegate to the selectmen the right to fix the compensation of such town manager. In every case where a union is formed for the purpose of employing a town manager, the compensation for said town manager shall be paid by the several towns in said union in such proportions as may be decided by the selectmen of such towns, and each of said towns is authorized to raise by taxation the necessary money therefor.