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Chapter 258

AN ACT Authorizing Certain Minors to Contract and Discharge for Life and Health Insurance.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 60, § 161, repealed and replaced. Section 161 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘Sec. 161. Life insurance contracts by or for the benefit of minors. Any person who is not of full age of 21 years but who is of the age, as determined by the nearest birthday, of not less than 15 years, shall be deemed competent to contract for life insurance upon the life of such minor or upon the life of any person in whom the minor has an insurable interest, for the benefit of such minor or for the benefit of the father, mother, husband, wife, brother or sister, child or children, or any grandparent of such minor, and to exercise and enjoy every right, privilege and benefit which the minor has or to which he may become entitled under any life insurance contract on the life of such minor or person in whom the minor has an insurable interest whether or not such contract was applied for by such minor, subject to the foregoing limitations as to designation of beneficiary.’

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 60, §§ 161-A and 161-B, additional. Chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 2 new sections, 161-A and 161-B, as follows:

‘Sec. 161-A. Certain minors competent to give valid discharge for life insurance benefits. Any minor domiciled in this State, who shall have attained the age of 18 years, shall be deemed competent to receive, and to give a full acquittance and discharge for a single sum or for periodical payments, not exceeding \$1,000 in any one year, payable by a life insurance company under the maturity, death or settlement agreement provisions in effect or elected by such minor under a life insurance policy or annuity contract, provided such policy, contract or agreement shall provide for the payment or payments to such minor and provided that prior to such payment the company has not received written notice of the appointment of a duly qualified guardian of the property of such minor, but no such minor shall be deemed competent to alienate the right to such payment or payments or to anticipate the same. This section shall not be deemed as requiring any insurance company making such payment to determine whether any other insurance company may be effecting a similar payment to the same minor.

Sec. 161-B. Health insurance contracts by or for the benefit of minors. Any person domiciled in this State who is not of the full age of 21 years but who is of the age as determined by the nearest birthday of not less than 18 years, shall be deemed competent to contract for health insurance, as defined, for the benefit of and payable to such minor, and to exercise and enjoy every right, privilege and benefit provided by any such health insurance contract, and to give a full and binding acquittance and discharge for any amounts payable by the insurance company under such contract, provided that prior to such payment the company has not received written notice of the appointment of a duly qualified guardian

or conservator of the property of such minor. As used in this section, "health insurance" shall include individual policies of accident and sickness insurance providing hospital, surgical, medical expense, disability income and related benefits.

Effective September 21, 1963

Chapter 259

AN ACT Relating to Operation of Farm Trailers Without Registration.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 13, amended. Section 13 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding after the 9th paragraph the following new paragraph:

'No registration shall be required of a farm trailer when the same is used solely for farming purposes, and such farm trailers may be operated, without registration, from or to the premises where the same are kept, to or from a farm lot and between farm lots, used for farm purposes by the owner of the farm trailer. Such farm trailers may be operated without registration to a filling station or garage for gas, oil or repairs.'

Effective September 21, 1963

Chapter 260

AN ACT Relating to Binders on Pulpwood, Logs or Bolts Hauled in Motor Vehicles.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 94, amended. The first sentence of section 94 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'No motor vehicle or trailer which, with or without load, is wider than 102 inches over all shall be operated upon any way or bridge; specifically excepting the Interstate System as defined in the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956; vehicles operating on said Interstate Highway System shall not exceed 96 inches in width; except that motor vehicles or trailers hauling firewood, pulpwood, logs or bolts may be operated on any way or bridge if the width of the load does not exceed 102 inches. A strip 3 inches thick shall extend along the sides of the platform securely fastened to the platform of the vehicle or trailer in order that the load shall pitch to the center of said vehicle or trailer, except that such vehicles hauling pulpwood, logs or bolts may substitute for this 3-inch strip, 2 chain, wire rope or steel cable binders. Said chains or wire ropes or steel cables shall be made of not less than $\frac{3}{8}$ inch wire and said chains and binders or wire ropes or steel cables shall be held firmly in place and properly spaced to secure