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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

## One Hundred and First Legislature

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

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## Chapter 272

### AN ACT Relating to Rules and Regulations for Length of Duty of Drivers of Vehicles for Hire.

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

**Sec. 1.** R. S., c. 48, § 26, repealed. Section 26 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes is repealed.

**Sec. 2.** R. S., c. 48, § 27, amended. Section 27 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by inserting after the first sentence 2 new sentences to read as follows:

'Such authority shall include the right to make rules and regulations relating to the length of duty of drivers operating any motor vehicle on the highways of this State engaged in common and contract carriage as defined in this chapter. Such rules and regulations shall conform as nearly as practicable to the standards set forth by the Interstate Commerce Commission pertaining to the length of duty of drivers operating motor vehicles in interstate commerce.'

Effective September 21, 1963

## Chapter 273

### AN ACT Relating to Counsel for Indigent Persons in Criminal Cases.

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

**R. S., c. 148, § 11, amended.** The last sentence of section 11 of chapter 148 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Before arraignment, ~~Competent~~ competent defense counsel ~~may~~ shall be assigned by the Superior or District Court unless waived by the accused after being fully advised of his rights by the court, in ~~any~~ all criminal cases ~~and shall be assigned in all cases punishable by imprisonment for life~~ charging a felony, when it appears to the court that the accused has not sufficient means to employ counsel; ~~and the~~. The Superior Court shall order reasonable compensation to be paid to counsel out of the county treasury for such services in the Superior Court ~~rendered in any case punishable by imprisonment for life, and compensation may be allowed by the court in cases of other felonies, but no compensation shall be allowed counsel for services in lesser cases.~~ No compensation shall be allowed for such services in the District Court. The Superior or District Court may in criminal cases charging a misdemeanor appoint counsel when it appears to the court that the accused has not sufficient means to employ counsel, but no compensation shall be allowed counsel in such cases.'

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