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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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tion with a copy of the registered support order and the post-office address of the obligee. He shall docket the case and notify the county attorney of his action. The county attorney shall proceed diligently to enforce the order.

§ 418. Effect of registration ; enforcement procedure

Upon registration the registered support order shall be treated in the same manner as a support order issued by a court of this State. It has the same effect and is subject to the same procedures, defenses and proceedings for reopening, vacating or staying as a support order of this State and may be enforced and satisfied in like manner.

The obligor has 20 days after the mailing of notice of the registration in which to petition the court to vacate the registration or for other relief. If he does not so petition the registered support order is confirmed.

At the hearing to enforce the registered support order, the obligor may present only matters that would be available to him as defenses in an action to enforce a foreign money judgment. If he shows to the court that an appeal from the order is pending or will be taken or that a stay of execution has been granted, the court shall stay enforcement of the order until the appeal is concluded, the time for appeal has expired or the order is vacated, upon satisfactory proof that the obligor has furnished security for payment of the support ordered as required by the rendering state. If he shows to the court any ground upon which enforcement of a support order of this State may be stayed, the court shall stay enforcement of the order for an appropriate period if the obligor furnishes the same security for payment of the support ordered that is required for a support order of this State.

§ 419. Uniformity of interpretation

This Act shall be so construed as to effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the laws of those states which enact it.

§ 420. Short title

This Act shall be cited as the Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 394

AN ACT to Revise Certain Motor Vehicle Laws.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 29, § 55, amended. Section 55 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

The Secretary of State shall have the authority to refuse the registration of types of vehicles that he deems should not be permitted to use the highways of the State of Maine, subject to section 2242.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 29, § 102, amended. The last sentence of section 102 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The application shall be signed by the owner and shall contain such particulars as may be required by the Secretary of State, including the name, residence and address of the owner, with a brief description of the vehicle, the name of its maker, ~~the motor and serial numbers of~~ vehicle identification number, the amount of motive power, stated in figures of horsepower, the type of motor fuel if other than gasoline as defined in Title 36, section 2902, under the phrase "internal combustion engine fuel" and the actual gross weight of the vehicle if intended for commercial use.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 29, § 152, amended. The 3rd sentence of section 152 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is repealed as follows:

~~Whoever transfers the ownership or discontinues the use of a motorcycle and applies for the registration of another motorcycle within the same calendar year shall pay for the registration certificate thereof a fee of \$7, which fee shall include the number plate~~

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 29, § 154, amended. Section 154 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

§ 154. Unused plates

The owner, who returns number plates with an affidavit that they have never been used and the Secretary of State is satisfied that the number plates have never been used, shall be refunded the registration fee paid.

Sec. 5. R. S., T. 29, § 585, amended. Section 585 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 11 of chapter 245 of the public laws of 1967, is further amended to read as follows:

§ 585. Minors under 18; authorization

The Secretary of State shall not accept the application of any minor under the age of 18 years for an operator's license or instruction permit unless such

application is signed by the father of the applicant, if the father is living and has custody of the applicant, otherwise by the mother or guardian having the custody of such minor or by the spouse of such minor provided such spouse is of the age of 18 years or over. In the event a minor under the age of 18 years has no father, mother or guardian or spouse who has attained the age of 18 years or over, then an operator's license or instruction permit shall not be granted to the minor unless his application therefor is signed by his employer.

Sec. 6. R. S., T. 29, § 721, sub-§ 1, amended. Subsection 1 of section 721 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

1. **Commercial driver education.** Commercial driver education means planned instruction given to an applicant preparing to secure his initial operator's license enrolled in a commercial driver education course.

Sec. 7. R. S., T. 29, § 782, sub-§ 1, amended. Subsection 1 of section 782 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

1. **Suspension of licenses.** Upon receipt of an abstract of the record in case of conviction of any person for a violation of any state law relative to motor vehicles, the Secretary of State, in his discretion, may forthwith suspend the license of the person so convicted and the registration certificates and registration plates issued for any motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer registered in the name of such person unless and until such person gives and thereafter maintains for a period of 3 years proof of his financial responsibility in the limits of \$20,000 each individual, \$40,000 any one accident resulting in injury or death to one or more persons and \$10,000 for damage to property of others. The Secretary of State shall take action as required in this section upon receiving proper evidence of any such conviction of any person in another state.

Sec. 8. R. S., T. 29, § 1362, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 1362 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Every such motor vehicle shall have brakes adjusted so as to stop 2-wheel brake vehicles at a speed of 20 miles per hour within a distance of 45 feet and 4-wheel brake vehicles within 30 feet, **excepting motorcycles and motor driven cycles, which at all times and under all conditions of loading, shall have brakes adjusted so as to stop such vehicles within a distance of 30 feet from a speed of 20 miles per hours.**

Sec. 9. R. S., T. 29, § 2301-A, amended. Section 2301-A of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 339 of the public laws of 1969, is amended to read as follows:

§ 2301-A. Suspension on nonappearance

If a person fails to appear in court on the day specified in response to a summons or order of court for any violation of any provision of this Title, either in person or by counsel, court shall notify the Secretary of State, who may suspend or revoke his license, if licensed in this State, or suspend or revoke his right to operate motor vehicles in this State, if a nonresident and not licensed in this State.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 395

AN ACT Relating to Powers and Duties of Personnel of the Forestry Department.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 501-B, repealed. Section 501-B of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 3 of chapter 226 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 12, § 516, repealed. Section 516 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is repealed.