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Sec. 3. R. S., T. 29, § 1314, amended. Section 1314 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

§ 1314. Driving to endanger

No person shall drive any vehicle upon a way or in any other place in such a manner as to endanger any person or property.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 29, § 1317, additional. Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 1317 to read as follows:

§ 1317. Motor vehicles in racing events

Sections 1252, 1311 and 1314 shall not apply to the operation of vehicles participating in racing events and exhibitions at which the public does not have access to the operating area and shall not apply to any private land to which the public does not have legal access.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 450

AN ACT Relating to Prevention by Landowners of Acquisition of Rights-of-way, Easements and Public Rights by Dedication.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 14, § 812, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 812 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

If a person apprehends that a right-of-way or other easement in or over his land may be acquired by custom, use or otherwise by any person, class of persons or the public, he may give public notice of his intention to prevent the acquisition of such easement by causing a copy of such notice to be posted in some conspicuous place upon the premises for 6 successive days, or in the case of land in the unorganized territory, by causing a copy of such notice to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the county where his land lies, and such posting or recording shall prevent the acquiring of such easement by use for any length of time thereafter; or he may prevent a particular person or persons from acquiring such easement by causing an attested copy of such notice to be served by an officer qualified to serve civil process upon him or them in hand or by leaving it at his or their dwelling house, or, if the person to whom such notice is to be given is not in the State such copy may be left with the tenant or occupant of the estate, if any.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 14, § 812-A, additional. Title 14 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 812-A, to read as follows:

§ 812-A. Dedication of land in the unorganized territory to public use; notice to prevent

If a person apprehends that his land in the unorganized territory or any interest therein may be dedicated to public use by custom, use or by any act or acts of that person or any persons acting on his behalf, he may give

public notice that he has no intent to dedicate his land or any interest therein to public use, by causing a copy of such notice to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the county where the land lies, and such recording shall prevent such dedication. The failure to do so shall not create any implication of dedication.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 14, § 812-B, additional. Title 14 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 812-B to read as follows:

§ 812-B. Recording requirements

To satisfy the recording provisions of the foregoing sections, 812 and 812-A, with respect to land in the unorganized territory, the notice shall describe the land specifically or by reference to source of title, so as to identify it, and shall not be in the form of a reference to whatever land the person may own in the respective county or township. Such notice shall expire after 10 years but new notices, each effective for a 10-year period, may be so recorded at any time.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 451

AN ACT Relating to Qualifications for Municipal Law Enforcement Officers.

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

R. S., T. 25, § 2805, additional. Title 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 2805 to read as follows:

§ 2805. Qualifications

1. Basic training. All municipal full-time law enforcement officers shall be required to take during the first year of their employment a 6-week basic training course approved by the board (Board of Commissioners) at a school approved by the board. This section shall not apply to any person employed as a law enforcement officer on the effective date of this Act.

2. Definitions. For the purposes of this section:

A. "Full time" shall mean employment with the reasonable expectation of earning at least \$2,500 in any one calendar or fiscal year for performing law enforcement duties.

B. "Municipal law enforcement officers" shall mean any person empowered by a city or town to serve criminal processes and to arrest and prosecute offenders of the law.

3. In-service training. As a condition to the continued employment of any person as a law enforcement officer by any municipality said person shall be enrolled in an in-service training program approved by the board.

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