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CHAPTER 15

MECHANICAL RIDES

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§ 391. Definition

“Mechanical ride” means a power-operated device by which a person is conveyed, where control by the rider over the speed or direction of travel is incomplete. It does not include a vehicle or device the operation of which is regulated as to safety by any other provision of law except a municipal ordinance under Title 30, section 2151.

1961, c. 327, § 1.

§ 392. License required

A person or organization may not operate a mechanical ride which is open to the public without first obtaining a license from the Insurance Commissioner.

1. Inspection and license fee. On receipt of an application for a license and a license fee of \$15 for each mechanical ride, the commissioner shall have it inspected.

A. Exception. A traveling amusement show or other organization which pays a license fee under section 502 need not pay this license fee.

2. License issued. On inspection, if the mechanical ride appears to be in a safe operating condition, the commissioner shall issue the license. The license is valid for a period of one year from date of issue. A license issued under this section does not exempt the holder from the nuisance provisions of Title 17, section 2804.

1961, c. 327, § 1.

§ 393. Use of fees

The license fees must be credited to the Division of State Fire Prevention to defray its expenses. Any balance of the fees

remaining at the end of any fiscal period is carried forward as a continuing account to be spent for the same purposes.

1961, c. 327, § 1.

§ 394. Regulations

The Insurance Commissioner may adopt and amend reasonable regulations for the proper operation of mechanical rides.

1961, c. 327, § 1.

§ 395. Dangerous operation

The Insurance Commissioner or any person designated by him may order that a mechanical ride being operated in a manner which is dangerous to the safety of the public be stopped until the condition is remedied.

1961, c. 327, § 1.

§ 396. Violations and penalties

A person or organization which operates a mechanical ride without first being licensed as provided in section 392, or which operates a mechanical ride in violation of a regulation adopted by the Insurance Commissioner or in violation of section 395 shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or by both.

1961, c. 327, § 1.