

## STATE OF MAINE

## REPORT

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## ATTORNEY GENERAL

for the calendar years 1951 - 1954

To Lester E. Brown, Chief Warden Re: Archery Licenses

Your memo of July 12, 1951, in which you inquire whether the Commissioner has authority to pay the sum of 25 cents as agent's fee for issuing licenses under section 96-B, Chapter 350, Public Laws of 1951, has been received.

Chapter 350, Public Laws of 1951, is an act relating to hunting deer with bow and arrow. Section 96-B is the pertinent license section, and states that the fee for such license shall be \$4.25 for hunting deer by residents of this State and \$10.25 for hunting deer by non-residents. While the ordinary statutory provisions relating to licenses issued for hunting deer provide that the issuing agent retain 25 cents of the fee, the section being discussed contains no such provision.

However, it is stated in Section 96-B that "Archery deer tags shall be issued for use in the same manner as regular deer tags." We interpret this sentence to mean that deer tags and licenses issued to persons hunting with bow and arrow will be issued in the same manner as regular deer tags; that is, issued by the party regularly designated to issue such licenses, and that the 25 cent fee will be retained by the issuing agent.

Therefore, it is our opinion that the Commissioner has authority to pay the sum of 25 cents as agent's fee for issuing licenses under Section 96-B, Chapter 350, Public Laws, 1951.

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July 27, 1951

To Francis J. McCabe, Chief, Maine State Police Re: Hand Signal Law

Your memo of July 23, 1951, requests an opinion as to which vehicles, if any, are exempt from the signal requirements of Chapter 301, Public Laws, 1951.

Chapter 301, Public Laws, 1951, amends Chapter 19 of the Revised Statutes by adding three new sections.

Section 107-A, Chapter 301, Public Laws, 1951, states:

"No person shall so turn any vehicle designed for the purpose of transportation of persons, other than buses, without giving an appropriate signal in the manner provided in this section and sections 107-B and 107-C in the event any other traffic may be affected by such movement."

Under Section 1, "Definitions", Chapter 19, R. S. 1944, as amended,

"'motor truck' shall mean any motor vehicle designed or used for the conveyance of property."

As distinguished from "motor truck", which is a vehicle designed or used for the conveyance of property, a vehicle designed for the purpose of transportation of persons is generally a passenger vehicle.

We are of the opinion, therefore, that as trucks are peculiarly vehicles designed or used for the purpose of transportation of property, and not for