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Fishing Licenses for Maine Residents in Armed Forces Home on Leave -Me. Public Laws 1967, ch. 495

FACTS:

Me. Public Laws 1967, ch. 495 provides:

"Licenses for Maine residents in Armed Forces. A resident fishing license shall be issued, on payment of \$1, to a Maine resident in the Armed Forces of the United States who is stationed outside the State and who is in Maine on leave or furlough, and such license shall be valid only for the duration of his leave or furlough."

QUESTION:

May the agent of the Commissioner who collects the \$1 license fee retain 25¢ from the fee?

ANSWER:

Me. Rev. Stat. Ann., Tit. 12 § 3055 (1964) provides:

"The Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game: shall have the same authority concerning . . . fees . . . as is granted and vested in the Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries under section 4508."

Me. Rev. Stat. Ann., Tit. 12 § 4508, par. 2 (1964) provides:

"All (fees), except where otherwise expressly provided by statute, accrue to the commissioner, and he shall pay them to the Treasur of State." (Emphasis supplied.)

The language of the statutes last cited bars the agent from retaining 25¢ out of the fee, as Me. Public Laws 1967, ch. 495 does not expressly provide that such amount accrues to the agent.