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ACTS AND RESOLVES
AS PASSED BY THE
Ninetieth and Ninety-first
Legislatures
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
From April 26, 1941 to April 9, 1943
AND MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS

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Executive Orders

in re

Civilian Defense

1. During any time of day when motor vehicles are required to burn lights and except as hereinafter prescribed in paragraphs numbered 2 and 3, all motor vehicles traveling within the area defined in Executive Orders numbered 11 and 14 shall use the standard headlights on depressed beam. A speed in excess of 25 miles per hour in such area under depressed beam shall be prima facie unlawful.

2. On such ways, roads and highways within the area defined in Executive Orders numbered 11 and 14 as run perpendicular to the coastline, rendering lights thereon visible from the sea, and in such other places or areas thereon where lights of motor vehicles cause sky-glow capable of silhouetting a ship at sea within the territorial waters of the State of Maine, the Director of Civilian Defense shall require motor vehicles to operate under parking lights plus dimmed out headlights or reduced auxiliary lights in accordance with the following regulation. Such areas shall be posted with appropriate signs and a speed therein in excess of ten miles per hour shall be prima facie unlawful.

3. The Director of Civilian Defense is hereby authorized and directed to issue regulations for the control of motor vehicle lighting under paragraph 2 hereof, and to prescribe by regulation such limitations and equipment for auxiliary lights and dimmed out headlights as will effectively carry out the provisions of this order.

SUMNER SEWALL,
Governor of Maine.

August 15, 1942.

STATE OF MAINE
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
Augusta

Executive Order—No. 16

Whereas, under authority of Section 1 Chapter 305 of the Public Laws of 1941, approved January 21, 1942 the Governor is empowered and directed to provide for the security, health and welfare of the people of the State, and is further empowered and directed to cooperate with the Federal Government and with other State Governments to carry out the purposes of this Act; and

Whereas, the Federal Government has requested the several States to conform to prescribed minimum specifications for interstate transportation by motor carrier; and

Whereas, the interstate movement of essential war materials and supplies by motor carrier is essential to provide for the security, and health and welfare of the people of the State of Maine,

Now, therefore, I, Sumner Sewall, Governor of Maine, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Chapter 305, of the Public Laws of 1941, do hereby promulgate the following rule and regulation, to have the force and effect of law forthwith:

A combination of tractor and semi-trailer not in excess of 45 feet in length over all may be registered for operation in the State of Maine.

SUMNER SEWALL,
Governor of Maine.

August 18, 1942.

STATE OF MAINE
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
Augusta

Executive Order—No. 17

Whereas, in the interest of conservation of rubber, gasoline and automotive equipment, the Federal Government has requested that all State governments establish a maximum speed limit of thirty-five miles per hour on public highways within their boundaries; and

Whereas, it is deemed necessary that a maximum speed limit of thirty-five miles per hour be instituted upon the public highways of this State, under the provisions of Chapter 305, Public Laws of 1941, approved January 21, 1942;

Now, therefore, I, Sumner Sewall, Governor of Maine, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Chapter 305, Public Laws of 1941, do hereby promulgate the following rule and regulation:

The operation of any vehicle on any public highway, street, or way in the State of Maine, at a speed in excess of thirty-five miles per hour is deemed to be at a speed greater than is reasonable and proper under conditions now existing, having due regard for the provisions of R. S. 1930, Chapter 29, Section 69 (a), and is, therefore, hereby prohibited.

Executive Order No. 10 is hereby rescinded.

(Signed) SUMNER SEWALL,
Governor of Maine.

October 9, 1942.