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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Danger and Caution Signals for Motor Busses and Trucks.

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

Danger and caution signals. Every motor bus and every motor omnibus for the carriage of passengers for hire, except taxicabs, and every commercial motor vehicle having a carrying capacity of 2 tons or over, shall be equipped with at least two red or yellow burning danger or caution signals, with friction cap ignition similar in type to a time-burning railway fusee signal, and so constructed as to burn with a brilliant red or yellow light for not less than 15 minutes.

Whenever any such vehicle becomes disabled at night while within the limits of the traveled part of a highway to such an extent that it cannot proceed under its own power, and its lighting is so disabled that it constitutes a menace to other vehicular traffic, the operator thereof shall cause to be continuously displayed on the surface of the highway the red or yellow-burning danger or caution signals, as herein required, in such manner as to prevent personal injuries, loss of life, and damage to property by collision.

Any owner or operator who shall fail to comply with any of the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction be punished by a fine of \$25 and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, by imprisonment for not more than 10 days.