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H. P. 1563

House of Representatives, February 16, 1937.

Referred to Committee on Public Utilities. Sent up for concurrence and 1000 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Webber of Auburn.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Motor Vehicles Carrying Passengers for Hire.

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

R. S., c. 66, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 66 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘Sec. 1. Motor vehicles carrying passengers for hire over regular routes under jurisdiction of public utilities commission. The public utilities commission shall have jurisdiction over every person, firm or corporation operating any motor vehicle upon any public street or highway for the carrying of passengers for hire in such a manner as to afford a means of transportation similar to that afforded by a railway company, by indiscriminately receiving and discharging passengers along the route on which the vehicle is operated or may be running, or for transporting passengers for hire as a business between fixed and regular termini. Whether or not any motor vehicle is being operated within the meaning of this chapter shall be a question of fact, and the finding of the public utilities commission thereon shall be final and shall not be subject to review, except that questions of law may be raised in the manner provided in sections 63 and 64 of chapter 62 of the revised statutes.’

R. S., c. 66, amended. Chapter 66 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after section 4 thereof the following section, to be numbered 4-A, and to read as follows:

'Sec. 4-A. Certificate. Any person, firm or corporation operating such motor vehicle or motor vehicles on any street or highway in this state without having obtained from the public utilities commission a certificate permitting such operation may be restrained and enjoined from such operation upon bill of complaint in equity addressed to either the superior or the supreme judicial court and brought by any certificate holder under this chapter or by any carrier of passengers for hire under any other law of this state.'