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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Stilphen of Dresden.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Collection of Poll Taxes.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 29, § 33-A, amended. Section 33-A of chapter 29 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 139 of the public laws of 1935, is hereby repealed and the following is enacted in place thereof:

‘Sec. 33-A. Operators’ licenses issued, only when poll tax has been paid. No person required by law to pay a poll tax in this state shall be granted a license to operate a motor vehicle until he shall present a receipt or certificate that he has paid his poll tax in the town where he resided for the year preceding that for which the license is applied for or written evidence from the taxing authority of that town that he was legally exempted therefrom or that the tax has been abated.’

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 29, additional. Chapter 29 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 50-A, and to read as follows:

‘Sec. 50-A. Payment of poll tax before registration. No person required by law to pay a poll tax in this state shall be granted a registration for a motor vehicle until he shall present a receipt or certificate that he has

paid his poll tax in the town where he resided for the year preceding that for which the license is applied for or written evidence from the taxing authority of that town that he was legally exempted therefrom or that the tax has been abated.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 38, § 19, amended. Section 19 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new paragraph to be numbered (8), and to read as follows:

'(8) No person required by law to pay a poll tax in this state shall be granted a resident hunting, fishing or combined hunting and fishing license until he shall present a receipt or a certificate that he has paid his poll tax in the town where he resided for the year preceding that for which the license is applied for or a receipt or written evidence from the taxing authority of that town that he was legally exempted therefrom or that the tax has been abated.'

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 13, §§ 1, 7, amended. Section 7 of chapter 13 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed, and section 1 of chapter 13 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Poll tax, where assessed. A poll tax shall be assessed upon every male inhabitant of the state above the age of 21 years whether a citizen of the United States or an alien, in the manner provided by law, unless he is exempted therefrom by this chapter, which said poll tax shall be \$3. The poll tax shall be assessed on each taxable person in the place where he is an inhabitant on the 1st day of each April. No person shall be considered an inhabitant of a place on account of residing there as a student in an educational institution.

Satisfaction of the poll tax obligation shall be a prerequisite to granting of motor vehicle operator's license and registration of motor vehicle as stated in chapter 29 and to granting of hunting and fishing licenses as stated in chapter 38.'