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H. P. 1455

House of Representatives, February 11, 1941.

Referred to Committee on Motor Vehicles. Sent up for concurrence and 750 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Pierce of Bucksport.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Non-resident Vehicles and Operators.

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

R. S., c. 29, § 40, amended. Strike out all of section 40, all of the proviso in the first paragraph of fourth subdivision of section 41 ending with the words "record of each such permit", all of section 57-A amended and all of section 57-B amended and insert as a new section 40 the following:

'Sec. 40. Non-resident vehicles and operators licensed in home state may operate; exceptions. (A) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the provisions of this chapter relative to the registration of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers, and the granting of operators' licenses shall not apply to a motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer owned by a non-resident or to a non-resident operator, providing that the owner of such vehicle has complied with the provisions of law of the country, state, territory or federal district of his residence relative to the registration of such vehicle and provided said operator has complied with the provisions of law of the country, state, territory or federal district of his residence relative to operators' licenses.

The provisions of this subsection shall apply to a motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer owned by a non-resident, who has complied with the provi-

sions of law of the country, state, territory or federal district of his residence, only to the extent that like privileges are granted by such country, state, territory or federal district to a similar vehicle owned by a resident of this state who shall have complied with the laws of this state relative to registration of such vehicles.

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to permit a non-resident vehicle with or without load having a weight, length or height in excess of or equipped contrary to that allowed a similar resident vehicle, to be operated on the ways of this state.

The secretary of state shall determine what country, state, territory, or federal district grant like privileges to residents of this state as granted by this chapter to non-resident owners and operators and to the extent that he shall determine, shall grant like privileges to the non-resident owner and operator from such country, state, territory or federal district.

The provisions of this section shall be separable, and if any of such provisions be held to be unconstitutional, such unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions thereof.'