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No. 810

H. P. 1158

House of Representatives, February 13, 1945.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Collins of Caribou.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Permits for Truck Loads Upon Designated Roads.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 19, § 15, sub-§ III, amended. The 7th paragraph of subsection III of section 15 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended as follows:

‘Provided further, that no motor vehicle, including trucks, combination of tractor and semi-trailer, passenger busses and passenger cars shall exceed in length ~~40~~ 45 feet over all and no trailer attached to a motor vehicle shall exceed in length 26 feet over all.’

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 19, § 85, amended. The 1st sentence of section 85 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘No motor vehicle or trailer which, with or without load, is wider than ~~8 feet~~ 8 feet 6 inches over all, or is over ~~12 feet 6 inches~~ 13 feet 6 inches high, shall be operated on any way or bridge.’

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 19, § 100, amended. Section 100 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘**Sec. 100. Weight of commercial vehicles limited.** No motor truck, trailer, tractor, combination of truck tractor and semi-trailer, or other commercial vehicle shall be operated over any way or bridge when the

gross weight (actual weight of vehicle and load) exceeds ~~40,000~~ 45,000 pounds. No vehicle having 2 axles shall be so operated when the gross weight is in excess of ~~30,000~~ 35,000 pounds; provided, however, that no vehicle shall have a gross weight imparted to any road surface of more than 22,000 pounds on any 1 axle, and no vehicle having 2 or more axles less than 10 feet apart shall be operated with more than 16,000 pounds imparted to the road surface from either axle; provided further, that no vehicle shall be so operated when the load imparted to the road surface is greater than 600 pounds per inch width of tire (manufacturer's rating); except that in special cases, special permits for greater gross weights may be granted by the state highway commission or such appropriate commission or official as is duly authorized elsewhere in this chapter.'