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NINETY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 207

In Senate, February 6, 1947

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Williams of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relative to Hearings Conducted by the Secretary of State.

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

- R. S., c. 19, § 4, amended. Section 4 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 4. Secretary of state may conduct hearings to aid in enforcement of motor vehicle laws; fees of witnesses; justice superior court may issue summary process to enforce orders. In the administration of the laws relative to motor vehicles and to the operators and the operation thereof, the secretary of state or his deputy may conduct hearings, subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, take testimony, and order the production of books and papers, and for the purposes mentioned in this chapter may issue all processes necessary for the performance of his duties. The fees for travel and attendance of witnesses shall be the same as for witnesses before the superior court and shall be paid by the state out of motor vehicle registration fees upon certificates of the secretary of state filed with the controller. Any justice of the superior court, on the petition of the secretary of state, may issue summary process to enforce the lawful orders of the secretary of state in any matter.'