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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary Presented by Senator Hillman of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Operating Motor Trucks for Hire.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 48, § 25, sub-§ II, amended. The 2nd paragraph of subsection II of section 25 of chapter 48 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Commission is authorized and empowered to employ such assistance, subject to the provisions of the personnel law, and to procure such office supplies and equipment as said Commission may determine to be necessary in the administration and enforcement of the provisions of sections 10 to 32, inclusive. The salary and traveling expenses of employees and all office expense connected with the administration and enforcement of said sections shall be paid out of the revenues received under the provisions of this section and section 32, which shall be set up as a separate fund in the office of the Treasurer of State, to be disbursed under the direct supervision and control of the Commission.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 48, § 27, amended. The 3rd sentence of section 27 of chapter 48 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'It shall be the duty of the state police sheriffs and their deputies and all other peace officers to investigate any alleged violations of the provisions of sections 19 to 32, inclusive, and of any rules and regulations promulgated by the commission pursuant to the authority thereof, to prosecute violators of said sections and of such rules and regulations and otherwise to aid in the enforcement of the provisions thereof.' Sec. 3. R. S., c. 48, § 32, sub-§ VIII, amended. Subsection VIII of section 32 of chapter 48 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'VIII. All fines and forfeitures collected under the provisions of sections 19 to 32, inclusive, when the arrest is made by a member of the state police or any inspector or officer employed by the Commission, together with all costs taxed by the court for any such officer, shall be paid to the Commission to be used in defraying the expense of administering and enforcing the provisions of said sections and any unexpended balances shall lapse to the general highway fund. When the arrest is made by any other officer, all fines and forfeitures shall be paid into the treasury of the county where the offense is prosecuted. In any case, all fees taxed for any judge or recorder of any municipal court or for any trial justice shall be disposed of as the law establishing the trial court directs and all costs taxed for any officer, other than a member of the state police or any inspector or officer employed by the commission, shall be disposed of as the law provided in other criminal cases.'