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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Traffic Officers at Drive-in Theaters.

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

R. S., c. 100, § 71-A, additional. Chapter 100 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 71-A, to read as follows:

'Drive-in Theaters.

Sec. 71-A. Traffic officer at drive-in theaters. Anyone operating a drive-in theater, being an owner, lessee or tenant, shall employ a uniformed police officer or constable to direct traffic to any main highway from the theater. Said police officer or constable shall be stationed at the point where the theater exit or drive-way connects with the main highway at the time the theater program shall be concluded and shall remain at that point for such time as motor vehicles are leaving the theater. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100, or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Any person handling traffic must be in uniform or easily recognized as having authority if they expect to be obeyed. This act would permit the owner of a drive-in theater to have one of his employees made a constable and therefore would not be obliged to add an additional employee for this particular job.