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OF THE

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1917

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Chapter 256.

An Act Relating to the Operation of Motor Vehicles.

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

Sec. 1. Motor vehicles; muffler cut-out not to be opened in settled parts. No person operating a motor vehicle in the settled parts of a city or town shall at any time open the muffler cut-out nor permit such motor vehicle to make any unnecessary noise.

Sec. 2. Penalty for violation. Any person violating the above section shall for each offense be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars.

Approved April 7, 1917

Chapter 257.

An Act to Make Uniform the Law of Negotiable Instruments.

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

Negotiable Instruments In General. Form and Interpretation.

Sec. 1. Form of negotiable instrument. An instrument to be negotiable must conform to the following requirements:

- (1.) It must be in writing and signed by the maker or drawer;
- (2.) Must contain an unconditional promise or order to pay a sum certain in money;
- (3.) Must be payable on demand, or at a fixed or determinable future time;
- (4.) Must be payable to order or to bearer; and
- (5.) Where the instrument is addressed to a drawee, he must be named or otherwise indicated therein with reasonable certainty.

Sec. 2. Certainty as to sum; what constitutes. The sum payable is a sum certain within the meaning of this act, although it is to be paid:

- (1.) With interest; or
- (2.) By stated installments; or
- (3.) By stated installments, with a provision that upon default in payment of any installment or of interest, the whole shall become due; or
- (4.) With exchange, whether at a fixed rate or at the current rate; or
- (5.) With costs of collection or an attorney's fee, in case payment shall not be made at maturity.

Sec. 3. When promise is unconditional. An unqualified order or promise to pay is unconditional within the meaning of this act, though coupled with:

- (1.) An indication of a particular fund out of which reimbursement is to be made, or a particular account to be debited with the amount; or
- (2.) A statement of the transaction which gives rise to the instrument. But an order or promise to pay out of a particular fund is not unconditional.