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WEIGHT OF HEAVY VEHICLES.

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to granting permits for taking eels, suckers, hornpouts and yellow perch, amended. Section twenty-seven of chapter two hundred and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, as amended by chapter two hundred and forty-four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, and by chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, and by chapter two hundred and eighteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and by substituting in place thereof the following section:

'Sec. 27. No exclusive territory permits to be granted. The commissioner of inland fisheries and game may grant permits to take suckers, eels, hornpouts and yellow perch, by means of eel pots, traps, spears or nets, in inland waters frequented by these fish, under such terms, rules and regulations as he may establish, but no exclusive territory permits shall be granted for the taking of any of said fish in any inland waters.

Provided, further, that said commissioner may grant permits to take alewives in the inland waters of the state under such rules and regulations as he may establish.

It shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill, destroy, have in possession, offer for transportation or transport any alewives, suckers, eels, hornpouts or yellow perch in violation of any provision of this section, under a penalty of thirty dollars and costs for each offense.'

Approved March 21, 1923.

Chapter 69.

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

P. L., 1921, c. 211, sec. 49; relating to limitation of weight of commercial vehicles on highways, amended. Section forty-nine of chapter two hundred and eleven of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one is hereby amended by inserting after the word "act" and before the word "The" in the next to the last line of said section, the following: 'Provided, however, that the gross weight of any such vehicle distributed on four wheels may be increased to twenty thousand pounds if the weight upon any wheel concentrated upon the road surface does not exceed six hundred pounds to an inch width of tire, measured between the flanges of the rim, and if the weight on any one axle imparted to the road surface does not exceed sixteen thousand pounds,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

An Act to Amend Section Forty-nine of Chapter Two Hundred and Eleven of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-one, Relating to the Weight of Heavy Vehicles.

SETTING ASIDE OF VERDICTS.

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'Sec. 49. Permitted weight increased to 20,000 pounds under certain conditions. No truck, tractor on wheels, trailer or other commercial vehicle having a gross weight of more than eighteen thousand pounds distributed by four wheels on a road surface or having a gross weight on any one axle exceeding thirteen thousand, five hundred pounds imparted to a road surface, shall be operated over any way or bridge; except that when the gross weight is distributed on the road surface upon six or more wheels by the combined use of a trailer, or otherwise, so that the imparted weight from any one axle shall not exceed thirteen thousand, five hundred pounds, the permissible gross weight of a vehicle or vehicles thus combined may be increased not exceeding fifty per cent. But no vehicle having a load of over seven hundred pounds per inch width of tire upon any wheel concentrated upon the road surface, said width to be measured between the flanges of the rim, shall be operated upon any way or bridge; except in special cases under special permit to be granted by the commission for greater weights as elsewhere provided in this act. Provided, however, that the gross weight of any such vehicle distributed on four wheels may be increased to twenty thousand pounds if the weight upon any wheel concentrated upon the road surface does not exceed six hundred pounds to an inch width of tire, measured between the flanges of the rim, and if the weight on any one axle imparted to the road surface does not exceed sixteen thousand pounds. The term "gross weight" shall mean the actual weight of the vehicle and load.'

Approved March 21, 1923.

Chapter 70.

An Act to Amend Section Fifty-eight of Chapter Eighty-seven of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Setting Aside of Verdicts by Single Justices.

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

R. S., c. 87, sec. 58; relating to setting aside a verdict by presiding justice, amended. Section fifty-eight of chapter eighty-seven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "at the" in the first line thereof, and by striking out the words "same term at which it is rendered" in the second line thereof, and by adding to said section the following paragraph: 'A motion to so set aside a verdict must be filed at the same term at which such verdict is rendered and shall be heard by the presiding justice either in term time or in vacation at his discretion; if such action is heard in term time the presiding justice may render his decision in vacation,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 58. Motion to be filed at term verdict is rendered; hearing on motion

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