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## **PUBLIC LAWS**

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#### 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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#### FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGES.

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may be in term time or vacation. Any justice of the supreme judicial court or of a superior court may set aside a verdict and grant a new trial in a civil case tried before him, when in his opinion the evidence demands it. But such verdict shall not be set aside by a single justice when two verdicts have been rendered against the applicant.

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.'

Approved March 21, 1923.

### Chapter 71.

An Act to Repeal Chapter One Hundred and Fifty-one of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen, Providing for the Collection of Agricultural Statistics by Assessors.

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

P. L., 1919, c. 151; relating to collection of agricultural statistics by assessors, repealed. Chapter one hundred and fifty-one of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen is hereby repealed.

Approved March 21, 1923.

### Chapter 72.

An Act to Repeal Chapter Fourteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-one, Relating to Protection of Deer in the Town of York.

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

P. L., 1921, c. 14; relating to protection of deer in town of York, repealed. Chapter fourteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one is hereby repealed.

Approved March 21, 1923.

### Chapter 73.

An Act to Amend Section Seven of Chapter Ninety-five of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Forty-seven of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-one, Relating to the Foreclosure of Mortgages.

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

R. S., c. 95, sec. 7; relating to redemption of mortgages of real estate, amended. Section seven of chapter ninety-five of the revised statutes, as