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MODIFICATION OR SUSPENSION OF REGULATIONS

Sec. 25. **Modification or suspension of regulations.** These regulations may be modified or suspended in whole or in part by the commissioner of labor and industry if good and sufficient reason therefor is presented to the department at a hearing where all parties are given an opportunity to be present or represented.

PENALTY

Sec. 26. **Penalty.** Whoever violates any reasonable rule, regulation, order or requirement made by the department of labor and industry under authority hereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars.

Approved April 2, 1931.

Chapter 165.

AN ACT Relating to the Employment of Minors.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 54, sec. 18; relating to employment of children under certain ages, regulated, amended. Section eighteen of chapter fifty-four, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following, 'nor in or about a projection booth', so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 18. Shall not be employed in or about a projection booth. No child under fourteen years of age shall be employed, permitted, or suffered to work in, about, or in connection with any manufacturing or mechanical establishment, bowling-alley, or pool-room. Except as hereinafter provided, no child under fifteen years of age shall be employed, permitted, or suffered to work at any business or service for hire, whatever, during the hours that the public schools of the town or city in which he resides are in session. No minor under sixteen years of age shall be employed in any theater or moving picture house as usher or attendant, nor in or about a projection booth.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 54, sec. 19; relating to regulations for employment of minors between the ages of fourteen and sixteen years of age; issuance of work permits, amended. Section nineteen of chapter fifty-four, is hereby amended, by striking out in line thirteen thereof after the word "the" the words "first eight yearly", so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Sec. 19. Must have completed studies covered in the grades. No minor between the ages of fourteen and sixteen years shall be employed, permitted, or suffered to work in any of the aforementioned occupations unless the person, firm, or corporation employing such child procures and keeps on file accessible to any attendance officer, factory inspector, or other authorized officer charged with the enforcement of sections eighteen to thirty-six, both inclusive, of this chapter, a work permit issued to said child by the superintendent of schools of the city or town in which the child resides, or by some person authorized by him in writing. The person authorized to issue a work permit shall not issue such permit until such child has furnished such issuing officer a certificate signed by the principal of the school last attended showing that the child can read and write correctly simple sentences in the English language and that he has satisfactorily completed the studies covered in the grades of the elementary public schools, or their equivalent; in case such certificate cannot be obtained, then the officer issuing the work permit shall examine such child to determine whether he can meet the educational standard specified and shall file in his office a statement setting forth the result of such examination; nor until he has received, examined, approved, and filed satisfactory evidence of age showing that the child is fourteen years old or upwards; such evidence shall consist of a certified copy of the town clerk's record of the birth of said child, or a certified copy of his baptismal record, showing the date of his birth and place of baptism, or a passport showing the date of birth. In the event of the minor being unable to produce the evidence heretofore mentioned, and the person authorized to issue the work permit being satisfied of that fact, the said work permit may be issued on other documentary evidence of age satisfactory to the person authorized to issue the work permit, provided said documentary evidence has been approved by the state commissioner of labor. The superintendent of schools, or the person authorized to issue such work permit may require, in doubtful cases, a certificate signed by a physician appointed by the school board, or, in case there is no school physician, from the medical officer of the board of health, stating that such child has been examined by him, and, in his opinion, has reached the normal development of a child of its age, and is in sufficiently sound health and physically able to perform the work which he intends to do. A child between the ages of fourteen and sixteen who, because of subnormal mental capacity, is unable to successfully pass the tests necessary to allow a regular work permit to be issued, may under conditions deemed proper receive a work permit issued jointly by the commissioner of education and the commissioner of labor and industry, such persons to be employed in non-hazardous occupations. The state factory inspector, his deputy, or agent, may require a similar certificate in doubt-

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ful cases of the minors employed under a work permit. A work permit when duly issued shall excuse such child from attendance at public schools; but no person shall issue such permit to any minor then in or about to enter his employment or the employment of the firm or corporation of which he is a member, stockholder, officer, or employee.'

Approved April 2, 1931.

Chapter 166.

AN ACT Relating to the Transfer of Trust Funds of Corporations, Trustees, Unincorporated Bodies and Associations, and Extending the Provisions Thereof.

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

R. S., c. 20, sec. 34; relating to trust funds may be transferred, amended. Section thirty-four of chapter twenty of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof, the following:

'Sec. 34. Transfer of certain trust funds; provisions for. Any corporation, trustees, unincorporated body or association, including a society, lodge or club by whom funds or property are now held or to whom they have been or shall hereafter be entrusted by will, or by whom they have been or shall hereafter be acquired by purchase, gift or otherwise, for any religious, moral, educational, fraternal or benevolent purpose, may transfer, convey and deliver to any other corporate body or trustees existing for the same or similar purposes, such funds or property as is now or shall hereafter come into their or its possession or shall have been given to it or them to be administered in the manner and for the purposes provided by the donor, or as originally intended at the time of such purchase or acquisition.

Provided, however, that no transfer of such funds or conveyance of any other kind of property shall be made without the approval of a justice of a superior court or the judge of probate for the county in which the donor resides or resided at the time of his decease, if the property was acquired by gift or under any trust agreement or testamentary provision.'

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