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## CHAP. 202

police may enlist suitable persons as members of the state highway police to enforce the provisions of this act, who shall enlist for a period of three years: (a) during the first six months of the first enlistment a member will be on probation and may be summarily discharged by the chief without hearing; (b) a qualified and accepted recruit will take the oath to be prescribed by regulations of the department and such oath shall be set out in the enlistment paper. Each accepted recruit shall sign such paper and expressly agree to abide by and be subject to all the conditions and obligations therein set forth; (c) after the first six months of the first enlistment period members may be discharged only after trial before a trial court to be designated by the chief of the said state highway police; (d) members may be discharged on their own request if deemed consistent with the good of the service by the chief; (e) voluntary withdrawal from the force during the term of enlistment or reenlistment without the consent of the chief shall constitute a misdemeanor; (f) the chief shall make rules and regulations subject to the approval of the governor and council for the discipline and control of members of the state highway police and for the examination and qualification of applicants for enlistment therein and violation of any rules and regulations, approved as aforesaid, by any member of the state highway police shall constitute a misdemeanor. Subject to the approval of the governor and council, the chief may designate a member of the state highway police to act as his deputy.'

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## Chapter 202.

### AN ACT Relating to Pre-bid Qualifications for State Contracts.

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

**Sec. 1.** R. S., c. 28, sec. 11; relating to pre-bid qualifications, amended. Section eleven of chapter twenty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out in the twelfth line thereof the words "or surety bond", and by striking out in the thirteenth line thereof the words "for ten per cent of the amount of his bid as a", and by inserting after the word "state" in the thirteenth line of said section the following words: 'for an amount which the commission considers sufficient to', and by striking out in the fifteenth line the words "or surety bonds" and by striking out in the sixteenth line the words "or bond", so that the third and fourth sentences of said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Each bidder must accompany his bid with a certified check, payable to the treasurer of state for an amount which the commission considers

sufficient to guarantee that if the work is awarded to him he will contract with the commission for its due execution; such checks shall be returned to the respective unsuccessful bidders. The check of the successful bidder shall be returned to him upon the execution and delivery to the commission of his contract and his bond with sufficient sureties, in terms satisfactory to the commission for the due execution of such work.'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 28, sec. 64; relating to pre-bid qualifications, amended.** Section sixty-four of chapter twenty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out in the sixteenth and seventeenth lines thereof the following words: "or a surety bond, for ten per cent of the amount of his bid as a", and by inserting in place thereof the words 'for an amount which the commission considers sufficient to', and by striking out in the eighteenth line thereof the words "or bonds", and by striking out in the nineteenth line thereof the words "or bond", so that the second and third sentences of said section shall read as follows:

'Each bidder must accompany his bid with a certified check, payable to the treasurer of state, for an amount which the commission considers sufficient to guarantee that if the work is awarded to him he will contract with the commission for its due execution; such checks shall be returned to the respective unsuccessful bidders. The check of the successful bidder shall be returned to him upon the execution and delivery to the commission of his contract and his bond with sufficient sureties, in terms satisfactory to the commission for the due execution of such work.'

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## Chapter 203.

**AN ACT to Regulate Expenditures in Connection with Matters of Legislation Submitted to the People Under the Provisions of Article Thirty-one of the Constitution Providing for the Initiative and Referendum.**

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

**Expenditures under initiative and referendum regulated.** It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, association, committee, organization or corporation to make any expenditure or incur any liability either for printing, publication, postage, clerk hire, newspaper advertising, renting of halls or other places, soliciting agents, hauling of voters or any other act or thing calculated to induce or procure any person or persons to vote either for or against any question submitted to the vote of the people under the provisions of article thirty-one of the constitution unless on the dates