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municipal officers. In towns where 2 or more roads have been designated as state aid roads they shall be finished in the order in which they were designated. The municipal officers shall insert in the warrant for each annual town meeting an article calling upon the voters to vote "yes" or "no" on the question of the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to state aid for state aid highways for that year in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. If any such town then appropriates money ~~for work contemplated in such report, and~~ for the purpose of securing state aid as provided in this chapter, the municipal officers shall forthwith notify the commission of the amount so appropriated. The commission shall thereupon finally approve, change, or disapprove such action, in whole or in part, as the appropriation and conditions require, and shall notify the municipal officers of its action. ~~This section shall not prohibit towns from voting to do either more or less highway improvement than that contemplated in such report or from making any appropriation under the terms of this chapter.~~ Towns failing to comply with the provisions hereof shall not be entitled to state aid for the year when such state aid otherwise would be available under this section.'

Approved April 6, 1935.

Chapter 179.

AN ACT to Define the Powers of the State Liquor Commission.

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

Sec. 1. Powers and duties. The state liquor commission shall have general supervision of the business of manufacturing, importing, exporting, storing, transporting and selling liquor and shall have power to issue, renew, suspend, and revoke all licenses and to hold hearings. It shall refuse to issue licenses to persons including individuals, corporations, associations or partnerships who have been convicted or whose officers have been convicted of a breach of any state or federal law relating to the manufacture, sale or transportation of intoxicating liquor within 10 years next prior to the filing of his or its application. The commission shall have power to import spirits and wines and shall have exclusive control of the sale of all liquors. It shall have power to remove employees for cause.

Sec. 2. Regulations. The commission shall have the right to establish regulations for clarifying, carrying out, enforcing and preventing violation of all or any of the laws pertaining to liquor and such regulations shall have the force and effect of law unless and until set aside by some court of competent jurisdiction or revoked by the commission. The commission shall have power by regulation to shorten the permissible hours of sale

in state stores and to prevent the sale by licensees of wine and spirits to minors or persons under the influence of liquor. The commission shall at least annually on or before June 30th of each year publish in a convenient pamphlet form all regulations then in force and shall furnish copies of such pamphlets to every licensee authorized by law to sell liquor.

Sec. 3. Special stores. In cities or towns which vote in favor of the operation of state stores under local option provisions and where there is no state store, the commission shall have authority to establish special or temporary stores, to be occupied exclusively for the purpose in such cities or towns, to sell liquor in sealed bottles, containers or original packages for consumption off the premises under such regulations as the commission may determine.

Sec. 4. Railroad dining cars. The provisions of section 5 of chapter 301 of the public laws of 1933 shall not apply to liquors sold in railroad dining cars moving in interstate commerce.

Sec. 5. Subpoenas. Any commissioner of the state liquor commission may administer oaths, and issue subpoenas for witnesses and subpoenas duces tecum to compel the production of books and papers relating to any questions in dispute before the state liquor commission or to any matters involved in a hearing. Witness fees in all proceedings under this act shall be the same as for witnesses before the superior court.

Sec. 6. Hotel license fees. The fee for a hotel license shall be \$600 per year, in cities and towns having a population of 10,000 or more, and \$300 per year for cities and towns having less than 10,000. The fee for each club or restaurant shall be \$200 per year. The fee for a steamboat or railroad or pullman corporation shall be \$200 per year, covering all boats and cars supplying food and 1 license shall be sufficient to cover all steamboats and cars operated by any 1 owner; provided, however, that such licenses may be issued for the duration of a period of 6 months during the summer season and beginning not earlier than May 1st of any year, by the state liquor commission, to summer hotels and clubs at $\frac{1}{2}$ the above fee.

Sec. 7. Repeal. Section 6 of chapter 301 of the public laws of 1933 is hereby repealed.

Approved April 6, 1935.

Chapter 180.

AN ACT Relating to Zone Registrations.

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

R. S., c. 29; relating to zone privileges and number plates for same, addi-