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## CHAP. 254

the direction and subject to the approval of the governor and council. The chief of the state police may enlist suitable persons as members of the state police to enforce the provisions of this chapter, who shall enlist for a period of 3 years: (a) during the first 6 months of the 1st 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 6 months of the 1st enlistment period members may be discharged only after trial before a trial court to be designated by the chief of the said state 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 re-enlistment 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 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 police shall constitute a misdemeanor. Subject to the approval of the governor and council, the chief may designate a member of the state police to act as his deputy.'

Approved April 19, 1939.

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## Chapter 254

### AN ACT Relative to Exemption from Registration Fees of Certain Vehicles Owned by Nonresidents.

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

R. S., c. 29, § 41, amended. Section 41 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended, by adding thereto after paragraph "Third" a new paragraph to be numbered "Fourth," and to read as follows:

'Fourth. Any motor truck, tractor, semitrailer or trailer, constructed or equipped primarily as a refrigerator vehicle, when owned and operated by nonresidents of this state who are citizens of the United States, which would be otherwise required by this chapter to pay a registration fee, shall if duly registered in the state of its ownership be exempt from registration in this state while operated in this state exclusively for the transporta-

tion of any varieties of fish requiring refrigerator service from the state of Maine. Provided, further, that trucks exempted under this paragraph from registration in Maine shall not transport anything into this state for hire, and provided, further, that each such truck on entering the state shall obtain a permit from the nearest state police barracks, which said permit shall be issued by the secretary of state in blank, the name of the permittee to be filled in by the state police. A fee of \$5 shall be paid for each permit by the shipper or driver which shall be good for 1 trip only. The state police shall keep a record of each such permit.'

Approved April 19, 1939.

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## Chapter 255

### AN ACT to Permit Sunday Moving Pictures.

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

R. S., c. 135, additional. Chapter 135 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto 2 new sections, to be numbered 39-G and 39-H, and to read as follows:

'Sec. 39-G. Sunday moving pictures, legalized. In any city or town that shall vote as hereinafter provided, it shall be lawful for any moving picture theater to have an exhibition of moving pictures on Sunday between the hours of 3 P. M. and 11:30 P. M.'

'Sec. 39-H. Local option. Section 39-G shall not be effective in any city until a majority of the legal voters, present and voting, at any regular or special election so vote or in any town until an article in such town warrant so providing has been adopted at an annual or special town meeting; provided, however, the municipal officers of a city so voting, that section 39-G shall be effective in such city until a vote thereon has been taken at the next regular or special municipal election. When a city or town has voted in favor of adopting the provisions of section 39-G, said provisions shall be effective until repealed in the same manner as above provided. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation operating any theatrical or motion picture show on Sunday to require or permit any employee of said person, firm or corporation to work or be on duty more than 6 days in any 1 week.'

Approved April 19, 1939.