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STATE OF MAINE

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**PUBLIC LAWS**

OF THE

**STATE OF MAINE**

As Passed by the Ninetieth Legislature

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## Chapter 290

### AN ACT to Prevent Fraudulent Advertising.

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

**Sec. 1. Fraudulent advertising constitutes misdemeanor.** Any person, firm, corporation or association who, with intent to sell or in any wise dispose of merchandise, service, or anything offered by such person, firm, corporation, or association, directly or indirectly, to the public for sale or distribution, or with intent to increase the consumption thereof, or to induce the public in any manner to enter into any obligation relating thereto, or to acquire title thereto, or an interest therein, makes, publishes, disseminates, circulates, or places before the public, or causes, directly or indirectly to be made, published, disseminated, circulated, or placed before the public, in this state, in a newspaper or other publication, or in the form of a book, notice, hand-bill, poster, bill, circular, label, pamphlet, or letter, or in any other way, an advertisement of any sort regarding merchandise, service, or anything so offered to the public, which advertisement contains any assertion, representation or statement of fact, which is untrue, and designed to be deceptive or misleading, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

**Sec. 2. Exemptions.** This act shall not apply to any radio station, publisher of a newspaper, magazine or other publication or printer, who publishes or prints said advertisements without actual knowledge of its falsity. The fact of the publishing or printing of such advertisement shall not be prima facie evidence of such actual knowledge of falsity.

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## Chapter 291

### AN ACT Relating to the Parole Board.

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

P. L., 1939, c. 223, § 7, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 7 of chapter 223 of the public laws of 1939 is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘There shall be a parole board in the department of institutional service consisting of the commissioner of institutional service and any 2 persons appointed by the governor. The members appointed by the governor shall be paid their expenses and shall receive compensation at the rate of \$5 per

day for each day actually spent in the work of the board. Such board shall have authority to grant or revoke all paroles in connection with the state penal and correctional institutions, and, from time to time, shall make recommendations to the governor in reference to the granting of reprieves, commutations and pardons.'

Approved April 25, 1941

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## Chapter 292

### AN ACT Relating to Labor Relations in the State of Maine.

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

R. S., c. 54, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 54 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Appointment and qualification of state board of arbitration and conciliation; duties; authority to make rules; report. The state board of arbitration and conciliation as heretofore established shall consist of 3 members appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, from time to time upon the expiration of the terms of the several members, for terms of 3 years. One member shall be an employer of labor or selected from some association representing employers of labor, and another shall be an employee or an employee selected from some bona fide trade or labor union and not an employer of labor. Vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term. The board shall hold a meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of September in each year and shall organize by choosing from its members a chairman and secretary. Workers shall have full freedom of association, self organization, and designation of representatives of their own choosing, for the purpose of negotiating the terms and conditions of their employment or other mutual aid or protection, free from interference, restraint or coercion by their employers or other persons, and it shall be the duty of the board to endeavor to settle disputes, strikes, and lockouts between employers and employees. The board shall from time to time make such rules of procedure as it deems necessary, and shall annually, on or before the 1st day of July, make a report to the governor and council, which shall be incorporated in and printed with the biennial report of the department of labor and industry.'

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