

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES  
AS PASSED BY THE  
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Legislatures  
OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE  
From April 26, 1941 to April 9, 1943  
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STATE OF MAINE

AT THE

SPECIAL SESSION

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Supplementary to the Acts and Resolves of the Regular Session

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person affected thereby is, or may be, a party, and all needful processes growing out of the same, including the payment of all judgments or debts which may be rendered against said state or exist in favor of any creditor.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Effective January 21, 1942

*Revisor's note: Executive Orders issued hereunder will be found following proclamations in the back of the book.*

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## Chapter 306

### AN ACT to Authorize the Secretary of State to Validate the Use of Motor Vehicle Registration Plates Valid Beyond a Calendar Year.

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

**Sec. 1. Emergency license plates provided for.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section 55 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes, as amended, the secretary of state may provide and issue a suitable device in lieu of new registration number plates for any calendar year. Such device shall clearly indicate the year or period for which issued and shall be furnished only upon application and payment of registration fees now required by statute, and when such device is so attached to the appropriate vehicle or to the plate thereon, such vehicle shall be deemed properly registered for the period specified; subject, however, to suspension or revocation of registration as provided by statute.

**Sec. 2. Re-registration plates provided for.** For and after the year 1943, the secretary of state may issue permanent registration plates so designed and equipped as to provide for the re-registration thereof by changing the expiration date on such plates without the issuance of new plates.

Effective April 3, 1942

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## Chapter 307

### AN ACT Relating to Telephone Service to the Civilian Defense Corps During the Emergencies.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, a state of war exists between the United States and Germany, Italy, Japan and other foreign countries, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature this fact creates an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article XXXI of the constitu-

tion of Maine, and requires the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

R. S., c. 62, § 38, amended. Section 38 of chapter 62 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**‘Sec. 38. Unlawful to receive or solicit rebates; exception.** It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation knowingly to solicit, accept, or receive any rebate, discount, or discrimination in respect to any service rendered, or to be rendered by any public utility, or for any service in connection therewith whereby any such service shall in any manner, or by any device whatsoever, be rendered free or at a rate less than named in the schedules in force as provided herein or whereby any service or advantage is received other than is herein specified; provided that this chapter shall not prohibit such free or reduced rates by public utilities as is defined and provided for in the acts of Congress entitled, “An Act to Regulate Commerce” and acts amendatory thereof, nor free or reduced transportation to the officers of leased lines or to police officers or firemen in uniform or of municipal fire apparatus, call men of fire departments wearing badges, while going to or returning from fires, chiefs, captains, sergeants, lieutenants, and inspectors of police departments, in plain clothes and wearing badges, editors and regular reporters of newspapers; nor shall it be construed to prohibit any public utility from granting service at free or reduced rates for charitable or benevolent purposes, or for national or civilian defense purposes, nor to prohibit any public utility from supplying water and service free or at reduced or special rates to any person, firm, or corporation for fire protection purposes through or by means of any apparatus or appliances furnished, installed, or maintained by such person, firm, or corporation, provided the same be approved by the commission; nor shall it be unlawful for any public utility to make special rates to its employees or in case of emergency service, nor shall the furnishing by any public utility of any product or service at the rates and upon terms and conditions provided for in any contract in existence January 1, 1913 be construed as constituting a discrimination or undue or unreasonable preference, or advantage within the meaning specified; provided however, that when any such contract or contracts are or become terminable by notice of such utility the commission shall have power in its discretion to direct by order that such contract or contracts shall be terminated by such utility as and when directed by such order; and provided, further, that it shall be lawful for any public utility to make a contract for a definite term subject to the approval of the commission, for its product or service, but such

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published rates shall not be changed during the term of the contract without the consent of the commission.'

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Effective January 23, 1942

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## Chapter 308

### AN ACT Regulating Hunting and Fishing Licenses of Soldiers and Sailors.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, a state of war exists between the United States and Germany, Italy, Japan and other foreign countries; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature this fact creates an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article XXXI of the constitution of Maine and requires the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 38, § 19, amended.** Paragraph (2) of section 19 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'(2) Each resident of the state and each non-resident shall purchase from the commissioner or his authorized agent the written license of the commissioner, which shall be kept upon the person while fishing or transporting fish, and shall be exhibited to any warden, employee of this department, or guide, upon request. All employees and soldiers regularly employed at the Veterans' Administration Facility shall be, and hereby are, classified as residents of this state for the purpose of obtaining fishing licenses, and shall pay the same fees and be held to the same laws, rules and regulations as residents of this state. **All persons who are serving in the armed forces of the United States, and who are stationed in this state at the time they apply for a Maine fishing license shall be, and hereby are, classified as residents of this state for the purpose of obtaining fishing licenses.** Provided, however, that these resident privileges shall cease 6 months after cessation of hostilities. The clerks of all towns are such authorized agents and for the issuance of non-resident licenses the commissioner may, subject to recall at his pleasure, designate additional agents. A license shall be issued to a resident by the clerk of the town in which he resides, or if he is domiciled in an unorganized place, then by the clerk of the nearest town, upon payment of a fee of \$1.15, of which 15c shall be