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Chapter 93

AN ACT Relative to Hearings Conducted by the Secretary of State.

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

R. S., c. 19, § 4, amended. Section 4 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4. Secretary of state may conduct hearings to aid in enforcement of motor vehicle laws; fees of witnesses; justice superior court may issue summary process to enforce orders. In the administration of the laws relative to motor vehicles and to the operators and the operation thereof, the secretary of state or his deputy may conduct hearings, subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, take testimony, and order the production of books and papers, and for the purposes mentioned in this chapter may issue all processes necessary for the performance of his duties. The fees for travel and attendance of witnesses shall be the same as for witnesses before the superior court and shall be paid by the state out of motor vehicle registration fees upon certificates of the secretary of state filed with the controller. Any justice of the superior court, on the petition of the secretary of state, may issue summary process to enforce the lawful orders of the secretary of state in any matter.'

Effective August 13, 1947

Chapter 94

AN ACT Relating to Insane Criminals.

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

R. S., c. 23, § 119, amended. Section 119 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 119. Proceedings when a person, committed to jail on a criminal charge, pleads insanity. When a person is indicted for an offense, or is committed to jail on a charge thereof by a trial justice, or judge of a municipal court, any justice of the court before which he is to be tried, if a plea of insanity is made in court, or he is notified that it will be made, may, in vacation or term time, order such person into the care of the superintendent of either insane hospital, to be detained and observed by him until further order of court or any justice thereof in vacation, that the truth or falsity of the plea may be ascertained. The superintendent of the hospital to which such person is committed shall, within the first 3 days of

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the term next after such commitment, and within the first 3 days of each subsequent term so long as such person remains in his care, report to the judge of the court before which such person is to be tried, whether his longer detention is required for purposes of observation.'

Effective August 13, 1947

Chapter 95

AN ACT Relating to Business Hours in State Liquor Stores.

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

R. S., c. 57, § 10, amended. Section 10 of chapter 57 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 10. Business hours for state stores. State stores shall not be open on Sundays, court holidays, or on the day of the holding of a general election or state-wide primary or between the hours of 8 P. M. and 9 A. M., except that in municipalities operating on daylight saving time, state liquor stores may be opened at 8 A. M., standard time, and also except on Saturdays when, if open, they may be kept open until 10 P. M., and the commission is authorized to regulate the opening and closing hours of each store within the provisions of this chapter. No sales shall be made therein to minors, or persons under the influence of liquor.'

Effective August 13, 1947

Chapter 96

AN ACT Relating to Disposition of Fees for Certificates of Approval of Manufacturers and Foreign Wholesalers of Malt Liquor.

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

R. S., c. 57, § 16, amended. The last paragraph of section 16 of chapter 57 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

'The fees received under the provisions of this section shall be used by the commission for carrying out the purposes of this section deposited in the general fund of the state.'

Effective August 13, 1947