

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**ACTS AND RESOLVES**  
AS PASSED BY THE  
**Ninety-second and Ninety-third**  
**Legislatures**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**From April 22, 1945 to May 14, 1947**  
**AND MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS**  
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**PUBLIC LAWS**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

As Passed by the Ninety-third Legislature

**1947**

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## Chapter 395

### AN ACT Protecting the Right of Members and Non-members of Labor Organizations to the Opportunity to Work.

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

R. S., c. 25, § 41-A, additional. Chapter 25 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section, to be numbered 41-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 41-A. Members and non-members of labor organizations; right to work; penalty. No person shall be denied the opportunity to obtain employment because of membership or non-membership in a labor organization, nor shall the state or any subdivision thereof, or any corporation, individual or association of any kind, enter into any agreement, written or oral, which excludes any person from the right to obtain employment because of membership or non-membership in a labor organization.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the making or maintaining of union shop contracts, so called.

Any individual, association or corporation who violates the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000.'

Effective August 13, 1947

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## Chapter 396

### AN ACT Relating to Automobile Travel by State Employees.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 14, § 28, amended. Section 28 of chapter 14 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 28. Payment per mile for use of privately owned automobiles, regulated. The state shall pay for the use of privately owned automobiles for travel by employees of the state in the business of the state not more than 5e 8c per mile for the first 3,000 5,000 miles actually travelled by such employees on such business in any 1 fiscal year, and not more than 5c for the next 9,000 miles and not more than 4c for each mile exceeding 3,000 14,000 miles; provided, however, that the state shall pay inspectors of seed potatoes 5e 7c for every mile so travelled. Provided further, that the rate may be set by the travel supervisor at not exceeding 10c per mile on any one trip when more than 1 passenger from one or more departments are assigned by the travel supervisor and that the charges for such mileage

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shall be apportioned by the travel supervisor to the various departments involved.'

**Sec. 2. Limitation of act.** This act shall remain in force for a period of 2 years only. It is the intent of the legislature to change the present statute for a period of 2 years only, after which period the present statute shall return to full force and effect.

Effective August 13, 1947

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## Chapter 397

### AN ACT to Provide Revenue for the Construction and Extension of Airports, and to Regulate and Control the Expenditures Thereof.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, the United States government, in order to establish a nation-wide system of public airports adequate to meet the present and future needs of civil aeronautics has enacted the "Federal Airport Act," so called, to provide federal aid for the development of public airports, and

Whereas, it is highly essential to have said airports available for use in defense of the state, and

Whereas, it is essential that work on the construction, extension and improvement of said airports be started forthwith, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of Maine and require 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. 21, §§ 24-30, additional. Chapter 21 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto 7 new sections to be numbered 24 to 30, inclusive, to read as follows:

'Sec. 24. Airport construction fund; appropriation for. There is hereby transferred out of the aeronautical fund the sum of \$50,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, and the sum of \$50,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, to aid in the construction, extension and improvement of state or municipal airports within the state, and to be known, designated and segregated as "Airport Construction Fund". Any unexpended balance at the end of any fiscal year shall not lapse but shall be carried forward for use in any succeeding fiscal year. All payments made out of