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### **ACTS AND RESOLVES**

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31-D, inclusive. Any person, arrested as a violator of said sections, shall with reasonable diligence be taken before the municipal court nearest to where the offense is alleged to have been committed for a warrant and trial, and in such case jurisdiction is hereby granted to all municipal courts in adjoining counties to be exercised in the same manner as if the offense had been committed in that county. Provided, however, that if a trial justice whose usual place of holding court in the county where the offense is alleged to have been committed is nearer to where the offense is alleged to have been committed than is any municipal court, such violator may be taken before such trial justice for warrant and trial.

Sec. 31-D. Limitation. The powers and duties of the Baxter State Park authority shall not be so construed as to interfere or conflict in any way with the powers and duties of the Maine state park commission, department of inland fisheries and game or the forestry department and their duly appointed wardens, and the enforcement of the inland fisheries and game and forestry laws in respect to Baxter State Park or to the state generally.'

Effective August 6, 1949

#### Chapter 79

AN ACT Relating to Motor Vehicle Licenses for Amputee Veterans.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, public law 663, 79th congress, as amended, authorized the veterans administration to supply free automobiles to certain amputee veterans of World War II; and

Whereas, automobiles have been given free, under said law, to 142 amputee veterans of Maine, who now must under existing legislation assume the personal expense of paying the fee for a motor vehicle operator's license before they may enjoy the use of such automobile; and

Whereas, said fee must be paid prior to January 1st in order to enable the issuance of such operator's license for the current year; and

Whereas, the people of Maine recognize the fact that all they own and all the privileges which they continue to enjoy, they owe to those who have defended them on the field of battle; and that these amputee veterans should **CHAP. 80** 

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not, by state law, be put to any expense in enjoying the use of free automobiles given to them by a grateful federal government; 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:

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 19, § 48, amended. Section 48 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 247 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph, to read as follows:

'Provided, however, that the secretary of state, on application of any amputee veteran who has been the recipient of an automobile from the United States government under authority of P. L. 663, 79th congress, as amended, or any amputee veteran receiving compensation from the Veterans Administration for service connected disability who shall have a specially designed motor vehicle, and who is otherwise qualified to operate a motor vehicle in this state, shall receive a license to operate such automobile without the requirement of the payment of any fee.'

Sec. 2. Effective date; refunds. The provisions of this act shall be retroactive to January 1, 1949. The secretary of state is authorized and directed to make such refunds as may be appropriate to give effect to the provisions of this act.

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

Effective March 18, 1949

#### Chapter 80

AN ACT Relating to Scope of Purchasing Authority.

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

R. S., c. 14, § 36, amended. The last paragraph of section 36 of chapter 14 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 6 of chapter 378 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby further amended to read as follows: