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AS PASSED BY THE

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Chapter 147

AN ACT Relating to Lights on Motor Vehicles.

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

R. S., c. 19, § 116, amended. The last sentence of section 116 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 320 of the public laws of 1947, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'This section shall not apply to ambulances, police and fire department vehicles, vehicles operated by state, city and town fire inspectors, vehicles engaged in highway maintenance, wreckers and public utility emergency service vehicles.'

Effective August 6, 1949

Chapter 148

AN ACT to Protect the Blind and Incapacitated Pedestrians on Public Streets and Highways.

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

R. S., c. 19, §§ 111-A-111-D, additional. Chapter 19 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto 4 new sections to be numbered 111-A to 111-D, inclusive, to read as follows:

'Sec. 111-A. Carrying of canes regulated. It is unlawful for any person, unless totally or partially blind or otherwise incapacitated, while on any public street or highway, to carry in a raised or extended position a cane or walking stick which is white in color or white tipped with red.

Sec. 111-B. When motor vehicles to stop. Whenever a pedestrian is crossing or attempting to cross a public street or highway, guided by a guide dog or carrying in a raised or extended position a cane or walking stick which is white in color or white tipped with red, the driver of every vehicle approaching the intersection, or place where such pedestrian is attempting to cross, shall bring his vehicle to a full stop before arriving at such intersection or place of crossing, and before proceeding shall take such precautions as may be necessary to avoid injuring such pedestrian.

Sec. 111-C. Limitation. Nothing contained in sections 111-A to 111-D, inclusive, shall be construed to deprive any totally or partially blind or otherwise incapacitated person, not carrying such a cane or walking stick