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## **ACTS AND RESOLVES**

AS PASSED BY THE

# Ninety-fourth Legislature

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE

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## PUBLIC LAWS

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CHAP, 263

### Chapter 262

#### AN ACT to Provide for Equal Pay for Equal Work.

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

R. S., c. 25, § 40-A, additional. Chapter 25 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section, to be numbered 40-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 40-A. Wage rates for equal work; penalty; exception. No employer shall employ any female in any occupation within this state for salary or wage rates less than the salary or wage rates paid by that employer to male employees for equal work. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit a variation in salary or wage rates based upon a difference in seniority, experience, training, skill, ability, or difference in duties or services performed, either regularly or occasionally, or difference in the shift or time of the day worked, or difference in availability for other operation, or other reasonable differentiation except difference in sex. Any individual, association or corporation who violates the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$200.'

Effective August 6, 1949

#### Chapter 263

AN ACT Relating to Permits for Interstate Carriers.

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

R. S., c. 44, § 22, amended. Section 22 of chapter 44 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 22. Interstate carriers; permit to operate. In order that there may be proper supervision and control of the use of the highways of this state, every person, firm or corporation regularly engaged in transporting freight or merchandise for hire by motor vehicle upon the public highways between points within and points without the state (and all persons making a or more such trips in any 30 day period shall be deemed to be so regularly engaged) is required to obtain a permit for such operation from the commission. Whether or not any person is so regularly engaged shall be a question of fact to be determined by the commission, the supreme judicial court, the superior court, or a municipal court. Application for such permits shall be made in the manner and form to be prescribed by the commission in its regulations, and such permits shall issue as a matter of right upon compliance with such regulations and payment of fees, unless the