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AS PASSED BY THE

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of the insurance commissioner is necessary for the adequate protection of the policyholders.'

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 286

AN ACT Relating to Dumping of Rubbish in Highways.

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

R. S., c. 124, § 24, repealed and replaced. Section 24 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 24. Dumping of rubbish in highways forbidden; penalty. No person, firm or corporation shall throw, place or cause to be placed any waste material, bottles, rubbish or garbage of any nature within the limits of the right of way of any public highway; provided, however, that this section shall not apply to the proper use of the right of way for highway purposes.

For the purposes of this section, where the limits of the highway are not known, they shall be considered as extending 33 feet both sides of the center line of the travelled portion of the highway.

Whoever violates the provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$50.'

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 287

AN ACT Providing for Safety Equipment for Large Trucks.

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

R. S., c. 19, §§ 112-B, 112-C, additional. Chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto 2 new sections to be numbered 112-B and 112-C, to read as follows:

'Sec. 112-B. Trucks 15,000 pounds and over to carry flares. No person shall operate or cause to be operated upon the highways of the state any

truck or truck tractor having a gross weight in excess of 15,000 pounds unless equipped with 2 red flags, and in addition thereto 3 flares, 3 red lanterns or 3 red emergency reflectors; except that in the case of vehicles used for transportation of inflammable liquids or gas in bulk, such equipment shall consist of 2 red flags, and in addition thereto 3 red electric lanterns or 3 red emergency reflectors.

Sec. 112-C. Use of flares, lanterns and reflectors. Whenever any motor truck or truck tractor having a gross weight in excess of 15,000 pounds is disabled upon the travelled portion of the highway or shoulder next thereto, the operator thereof shall, during the time that lights are required, place 3 lighted flares or 3 red lanterns or 3 emergency reflectors on the roadway as follows: 1 flare or 1 lantern or 1 red emergency reflector in the center of the lane of traffic occupied by said disabled motor vehicle not less than 100 feet distant therefrom in the direction of traffic approaching in that lane, 1 flare or red lantern or 1 red emergency reflector not less than 100 feet from such vehicle in the center of said lane in the opposite direction, and 1 flare or 1 red lantern or 1 red emergency reflector at the traffic side of such vehicle not closer than 10 feet from the front or rear thereof; except that if such vehicle shall be a vehicle used for the transportation of inflammable liquids or gas in bulk, only red electric lanterns or red emergency reflectors shall be placed as above provided. During such time as lights are not required, red flags shall be used in place of flares, lanterns or reflectors as above specified, except that no flag shall be required to be placed at the side of the vehicle.'

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 288

AN ACT to Clarify Laws of Division of Animal Husbandry.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 27, § 52, amended. Section 52 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 52. Commissioner to investigate as to existence of diseases. The commissioner shall cause investigation to be made as to the existence of tuberculosis, Bang's disease, pleuro pneumonia, foot and mouth disease, glanders, hog cholera, fowl pox, infectious laryngo, tracheitis, (infectious bronchitis) and other infectious contagious and contagious infectious diseases among cattle, horses, sheep, swine, and poultry domestic animals; and he, or his duly constituted agent, may enter any premises or places,