

## ACTS AND RESOLVES

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cause of bodily injury or death to any one person, and subject to said limit respecting I person, in the amount of \$i0,000 \$20,000 because of bodily injury to or death to two or more persons in any one accident, and in the amount of \$i,000 \$5,000 because of injury to and destruction of property in any one accident. Whenever required under the provisions of sections 64 to 71, inclusive, such proof in such amounts shall be furnished for each motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer registered by such person.'

Effective August 8, 1953

### Chapter 97

AN ACT to Authorize the Issuance of Deductible Fire Insurance Policies.

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

**R. S., c. 56, § 96, sub-§ III, amended.** Subsection III of section 96 of chapter 56 of the revised statutes, as renumbered by section 1 of chapter 170 of the public laws of 1947, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new sentence to read as follows:

'The commissioner may authorize the issuance of deductible policies, i.e., policies under which the insured agrees to bear the loss up to an amount specified in the policy, and under which he contracts for indemnity against a loss in excess of that amount.'

Effective August 8, 1953

#### Chapter 98

AN ACT Relating to Liability for Wilfully Injuring or Killing Dogs.

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

**R. S., c. 88, § 21, amended.** Section 21 of chapter 88 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 21. Stealing or killing registered dog. Whoever steals injures or confines and secretes any registered dog, or wilfully or negligently injures or wilfully or negligently kills any such dog, except as provided in

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the following section, and unless such killing be justifiable in the protection of persons, property or game, shall be liable to the owner in a civil action for the full value of the dog.'

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### Chapter 99

AN ACT Relating to Minor Violations by Liquor Licensees.

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

R. S., c. 57, § 60, sub-§ IV, additional. Section 60 of chapter 57 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new subsection, to be numbered IV, to read as follows:

'IV. Whenever it appears to the commission that a violation by a licensee is technical only, wholly unintentional and not careless, or that any penalty at all would be too harsh and unreasonable in the light of the offense committed, it may send the offending licensee a warning in lieu of ordering him to appear for hearing or, upon hearing, may place the case on file or suspend the operation of a suspension.'

Effective August 8, 1953

#### Chapter 100

AN ACT Relating to Certain Violations by Liquor Licensees.

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

R. S., c. 57, § 60, sub-§ II, ¶ N, additional. Subsection II of section 60 of chapter 57 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new paragraph to be lettered "N," to read as follows:

'N. Failure to have and maintain throughout the entire license period all of the requirements of definitions, laws, rules and regulations, necessary to qualify for a license. For this particular offense the commission shall be authorized to suspend licenses for an indefinite period of time until it is satisfied that the licensee has conformed to all qualifications required for licensing.'

Effective August 8, 1953