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AS PASSED BY THE

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Chapter 229

AN ACT Relating to Motion Picture Operators.

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

R. S., c. 88, § 67, amended. Section 67 of chapter 88 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof a new sentence to read as follows:

'Provided, however, that any person desiring to learn to be an operator may, with the consent of the theatre owner and under supervision of a licensed operator, be in a booth for the purpose of receiving instruction, upon payment to the commissioner of a fee of \$2 for an apprentice's license, and such license shall be valid for 1 year.'

Effective August 8, 1953

Chapter 230

AN ACT Relating to Signs Yielding Right of Way at Intersections.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 19, § 78, amended. Section 78 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by inserting before the last paragraph thereof, a new paragraph, to read as follows:

'The state highway commission and municipal officers, in their respective jurisdictions, may erect standard signs requiring vehicles, or drivers of vehicles, to "yield" the right of way at certain intersections, including approaches to through ways or previously designated "Stop" intersections where it is expedient to allow traffic to move through or into the intersection at a reasonable speed for existing conditions of traffic and visibility, in no case greater than 15 miles per hour, yielding the right of way to all vehicles or pedestrians approaching from either direction on the intersecting street which are so close as to constitute an immediate hazard.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 19, § 79, amended. Section 79 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph, to read as follows:

'The driver of any vehicle who, after driving past a "yield right of way" sign, collides or interferes with the movement of a vehicle or pedestrian proceeding on the intersecting street shall be deemed prima facie in violation of this section.'

Effective August 8, 1953

Chapter 231

AN ACT Relating to Permits for Moving Heavy Objects and Loads Over Highways.

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

R. S., c. 19, § 89, amended. Section 89 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 5 of chapter 348 of the public laws of 1947, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 89. Permits for moving heavy objects over ways and bridges; jurisdiction; permits limited. Jurisdiction is vested in the state highway commission to grant emergency permits upon proper application in writing to move objects having a length or width or height or weight greater than specified in this chapter over any way or bridge ~~upon which the money of the state has been expended or over which said commission has assumed control~~ maintained by the state highway commission; and like permits may be granted by county commissioners, municipal officers, superintendents of streets, or other road officials having charge of the repair and maintenance of any other way or bridge. The fee for such permits shall be not less than \$2, nor more than \$10, to be determined, on the basis of weight, height, length and width, by the state highway commission.

Said permits shall be issued to cover the emergency or purpose stated in the application and shall be limited as to the particular objects to be moved and the particular ways and bridges which may be used, but permits for stated periods of time may be issued for loads and suitable equipment employed upon public highway construction projects, United States government projects or private construction of private ways, when such loads or equipment are operated within construction areas established by the commission.

Permits must also be procured from the municipal officers of any town or city, in case the construction area encompasses said town or city, said permits to further provide that the contractor be responsible for damage to