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Chapter 37

AN ACT Relating to Leases by State Park Commission.

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

R. S., c. 36, § 34, sub-§ I, amended. Subsection I of section 34 of chapter 36 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'I. With the consent of the Governor and Council, to acquire in behalf of the State, land or any interests therein within this State, with or without improvements, by purchase or gift, and by eminent domain subject to proviso hereinafter set forth and with like consent to sell and convey such lands or interests therein, or lease the same, or by revocable license or agreement, or grant to any person, firm or corporation exclusive rights and privileges to the use and enjoyment of portions of such lands; provided, however, that no lease hereunder shall be for a term longer than \pm year 5 years, and any such license, lease or agreement granted or entered into hereunder shall be canceled or revoked after due notice of intention to cancel or revoke the same by action of the Commission, when the use for which said license was given shall have been abandoned, materially modified, or whenever the conditions imposed in any license, lease or agreement shall have been broken; provided, however, that the right of eminent domain shall not be exercised to take any area or areas in any one park which singly or collectively exceed 200 acres, nor shall it be exercised to take any developed or undeveloped mill site or water power privilege in whole or in part or any land used or useful in connection therewith, or any land being utilized for any industrial enterprise.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 38

AN ACT Relating to Permits for Outdoor Advertising.

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

R. S., c. 23, § 138, amended. Section 138 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 138. Permits. No person, firm or corporation shall erect or maintain upon real property any outdoor advertising structure, device or display, including those now or hereafter existing, until a permit for the erection or maintenance of such structure, device or display shall have been obtained from the Commission. The provisions of this section shall not apply to outdoor advertising structures, devices or displays upon the property whereon the goods so advertised are manufactured or sold or the business or profession so advertised is carried on or practiced, or which advertise the real property upon which the same may be for sale or for rent, provided that such structures, devices or displays shall not exceed to in number or a total area of 250 square feet, and provided that such structures, devices or displays shall be within 300 feet of the building wherein the goods advertised are manufactured or sold or the business or profession advertised is carried on or practiced, except that if such building is not adjacent to a public way designated by state or federal highway route numbers, said structures, devices or displays shall be within 300 feet from the junction of

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the nearest such highway and the traveled way, public or private, constituting the approach to said building, and such signs shall not exceed 2 in number or 200 square feet in total area and provided further, that none of such signs shall be of an area greater than 100 square feet or shall endanger the safety of persons using the highways.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 39

AN ACT Relating to Financial Responsibility in Motor Vehicle Accidents Resulting in Death.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 77, sub-§ II, ¶ A, repealed. Paragraph A of subsection II of section 77 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 77, sub-§ II, ¶ B, amended. Paragraph B of subsection II of section 77 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'B. Upon receipt by him of the report of an accident other than as provided for in paragraphs A and paragraph C of this subsection, which has resulted in death, bodily injury or property damage to an apparent extent of \$100 or more, the secretary shall, 30 days following the date of request for compliance with the 2 following requirements, suspend the license or revoke the right to operate of any person operating, and the registration certificates and registration plates of any person owning a motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer in any manner involved in such accident, unless such operator or owner or both:'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 22, § 77, sub-§ II, ¶ B, sub-¶ 2, amended. Subparagraph 2 of paragraph B of subsection II of section 77 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'2. shall immediately give and thereafter maintain proof of financial responsibility as hereinbefore provided for 3 years next following the date of filing the proof as provided under the provisions of subsection II of section 8r.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 40

AN ACT Relating to Surveys by State Park Commission.

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

R. S., c. 36, § 34-A, additional. Chapter 36 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 34-A, to read as follows: