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AS PASSED BY THE

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Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 119, amended. Section 119 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 119. Overtaking and passing school buses. The driver of a vehicle on a way, except the roadway of a dual highway divided by a median strip, carrying traffic in the opposite direction, upon meeting or overtaking from either direction any school bus which has stopped on the way for the purpose of receiving or discharging any school children shall stop the vehicle before reaching such school bus and shall not proceed until such school bus resumes motion, or until signaled by the school bus driver to proceed. Each motor vehicle, carrying the designation "School Bus," shall conceal or remove such designation when such motor vehicle is parked on any way and does not contain any pupils or used for any purpose other than transportation of pupils.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 86

AN ACT Relating to Aid to Public and Private Hospitals.

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

R. S., c. 25, § 18, amended. The second sentence of section 18 of chapter 25 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Department is authorized to compensate hospitals located in the State of New Hampshire within 5 miles from the Maine-New Hampshire state line or hospitals located in the Provinces of Quebec or New Brunswick, Canada, within 5 miles of the international boundary, for cases where the hospital care is for persons resident in the State of Maine and, in the judgment of the Commissioner, adequate local hospital facilities are not available.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 87

AN ACT Relating to Certain Plantations Maintaining Paupers.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective for 90 days after adjournment; and

Whereas, certain plantations are having great difficulty to maintain their paupers; and

Whereas, the following legislation is immediately necessary to prevent unjust hardship on the inhabitants of certain plantations; and

Whereas, it is vital that the following legislation be enacted before the meetings of the plantations this spring; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legis-

lation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

R. S., c. 94, § 25, amended. Section 25 of chapter 94 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 25. **Certain larger plantations to maintain their paupers.** Plantations having a population of 200 or more and a valuation of at least ~~\$100,000~~ \$250,000 shall support the paupers therein, in the same manner that towns now do, and the expenses therefor shall not be chargeable to the State.'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Effective March 18, 1955

Chapter 88

AN ACT Relating to Stations for Weighing Vehicles.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 15, § 9, amended. Section 9 of chapter 15 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 9. **Operators of vehicles.** The operator of any ~~truck~~ vehicle entering or leaving the State, or operating within the State, upon request or direction of any state police officer ~~sheriff or deputy sheriff~~ shall drive such ~~truck~~ vehicle upon said scales and permit the weighing thereof together with its load, and shall permit examination of the registration certificate covering such ~~truck~~ vehicle.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 15, § 10, amended. Section 10 of chapter 15 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 10. **Fees.** The driver or owner of such ~~truck~~ vehicle shall pay to the officer in charge of such weighing point, station or barracks, or to the officer ~~sheriff or deputy sheriff~~ weighing such ~~truck~~ vehicle any deficiency, if any there may be, in the legal registration fee of such ~~truck~~ vehicle before it may be permitted to proceed. All deficiency fees so collected shall be reported to the Secretary of State, in such manner as he may require, and said fees shall be sent to him and special record kept thereof.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 15, § 11, amended. Section 11 of chapter 15 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 11. **Issuance of certificate.** Upon the payment of any deficiency as hereinbefore provided, the officer in charge of such weighing point, station or barracks, or the officer ~~sheriff or deputy sheriff~~ weighing such ~~truck~~ vehicle shall give to the operator of the ~~truck~~ vehicle a clearance certificate in such form as may be prescribed by the Chief of the State Police.'