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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

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“Special mobile equipment” shall mean every self-propelled vehicle not designed or used primarily for the transportation of persons or property and incidentally operated or moved over the highways, including road construction or maintenance machinery, ditch-digging apparatus, stone-crushers, air compressors, power shovels, cranes, graders, rollers, well-drillers and wood-sawing equipment used for hire. The foregoing enumeration shall be deemed partial and shall not operate to exclude other such vehicles which are within the general terms of this section.’

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 16, sub-§ III, amended. The 4th paragraph from the end of subsection III of section 16 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘Special mobile equipment which is permanently mounted on a traction unit or motor chassis, shall be registered and a fee of \$10 shall be paid for such registration in lieu of all other registration fees. Registration under the provisions of this paragraph shall not include any vehicle which may be used for the conveyance of property except hand tools or parts which are used in connection with the operation of such equipment, except that road construction or maintenance machinery coming under the definition of special mobile equipment may be used for the transportation of earth on that portion of the highway actually under construction. Such special mobile equipment may be operated unloaded over the highway between construction projects and to or from the place where such vehicles are customarily kept, if a permit for such movement is first obtained in accordance with section 98.’

Effective August 20, 1955

## Chapter 241

### AN ACT Relating to Hunting of Woodcock.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 85, amended. Section 85 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Sec. 85. Federal regulations on migratory game birds to govern; open season on partridge and pheasants. No person shall hunt or have in his possession any eagle, Hungarian partridge or capercaillie, ~~cock of the woods or any black game, sharp-tailed grouse or bob-white quail.~~

There shall be a closed season on partridge or grouse and pheasant from November 16th to September 30th of the following year, both days inclusive, and no person shall, during the open season, have in possession in any one day more than 4 partridge or 2 pheasants or not more than 4 partridge and pheasants in the aggregate, or in any one open season for partridge or grouse more than 25 partridge or 12 pheasants, nor shall any person at any time buy or sell any partridge, grouse or pheasant; provided further, that there shall be a closed season on pheasants within the following described territory until September 30, 1958: All of Penobscot county north of the Canadian Pacific railroad tracks, running from Megantic to Mattawamkeag and Maine Central railroad tracks running from Mattawamkeag to Vanceboro. No person shall have in possession any partridge or pheasants taken in closed season.

There shall be an annual open season on woodcock from October 1st to October 31st, both days inclusive, and during the open season no person shall take or kill more than  $\mp$  woodcock in any  $\mp$  day or have more than 8 in possession at any  $\mp$  time.

Except as provided in this section it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, capture, kill, take, possess, buy or sell any migratory game bird at any time; but it shall not be deemed to be a violation of this chapter to hunt, capture, kill, take, possess, buy or sell any migratory game bird or part thereof at the times, in the manner and numbers, and by the means specifically permitted by regulations adopted and approved pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act (Act of Congress approved July 3, 1918).'

Effective August 20, 1955

## Chapter 242

AN ACT Relating to Regulation of Boats and Canoes by Department of Inland Fisheries and Game.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 37, § 66, repealed and replaced. Section 66 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 66. Boats and canoes inspected and registered; operators licensed; accidents investigated; penalties; jurisdiction. The owner of every boat or canoe maintained for hire upon any inland body of water to which the public has access, including duck skiffs and boats propelled by outboard motor but excluding boats under the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission as set forth in chapter 49, before renting or offering for hire such boat or canoe shall apply and obtain from the Commissioner a certificate authorizing its use for such purpose. No certificate shall be issued until the Commissioner, through the warden service, shall have inspected such boat or canoe and found it to be properly painted, repaired and fitted with oars or paddles, as the case may be. Any certificate granted shall terminate on the last day of the calendar year in which it is issued. The Commissioner, through the warden service, shall fix the number of persons who may be lawfully transported in each such boat or canoe at any one time. The owner of such boat or canoe shall cause the registration number and figures indicating the capacity established to be displayed upon each side of the bow, in numerals painted or attached thereto of suitable size and color and so placed as to be always plainly visible.

Every operator of a boat or canoe propelled by outboard motor and carrying passengers for hire shall be examined by the Commissioner, through the warden service as to his qualifications, and if satisfied therewith, the Commissioner shall grant him a license for such operation, which license shall expire on the last day of the calendar year in which it is issued unless sooner revoked by the Commissioner for intemperance, incompetency or willful violation of duty. The Commissioner may grant a renewal of such license upon written application and without further examination. Said license shall be in the possession of the operator at all times when he is carrying passengers for hire in such boat or canoe.

Any boat or canoe kept for use or rental in connection with any camp, cottage or real estate shall be considered as kept for hire; provided, however, that any boat or canoe kept for use in connection with any boys' or girls' camp