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AS PASSED BY THE

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Chapter 278

An Act Relating to Records of Time Worked.

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

R. S., c. 30, § 50, amended. Section 50 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the 3rd sentence a new sentence to read as follows:

'Nothing contained in this section shall excuse any employer mentioned in section 38 from keeping the records required by said section 38.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 279

AN ACT Relating to Exceptions from Outdoor Advertising Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 23, § 146, amended. The 3rd sentence of section 146 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Warning or directional signs upon or near highways erected by the State or political subdivisions thereof or other signs erected or intended exclusively for the safety ~~welfare or convenience~~ of persons using such highways, or temporary signs or posters for political or agricultural fair purposes, shall not be deemed to be outdoor advertising structures, devices or displays within the meaning of sections 137 to 148, inclusive, but they shall not be painted upon or annexed to any rock or tree and are subject to regulation and supervision by the Commission to prevent or remove whatever will injuriously affect any public interest or endanger the safety of persons using any highway.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 23, § 147, amended. Section 147 of chapter 23 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 147. Limitation. These regulations shall not apply to outdoor advertising in the compact or built up section of any town or city but such advertising is subject to regulation by town or city by-laws or ordinances. The compact or built up section of any town or city, for the purposes of this section, shall be the territory thereof contiguous to any way which is built up with buildings devoted to business ~~or where the dwelling houses~~ or dwelling purposes which are situated less than 150 feet apart for a distance of at least $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile.'

Sec. 3. 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 10 in number ~~or a total area of 250 square feet~~, and provided that such structures, devices or displays shall be within ~~300~~ 1,000 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 the nearest such highway and the travelled 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 280

AN ACT Relating to Power to Hold Property by Corporations Without Capital Stock.

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

R. S., c. 54, § 5, amended. The 1st sentence of section 5 of chapter 54 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Every corporation organized under the provisions of the preceding sections may take and hold by purchase, gift, devise or bequest, personal or real estate, in all not exceeding in value \$500,000 ~~or in any one town 10% of that town's state valuation, whichever is lower~~, owned at any one time, and may use and dispose thereof only for the purposes for which the corporation was organized.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 281

AN ACT Excluding Outboard Motors from Jurisdiction of Public Utilities Commission.

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

R. S., c. 49, § 5, sub-§§ II and IV, amended. Subsections II and IV of section 5 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes are hereby amended to read as follows:

'II. "Motorboat" means any vessel propelled by motive power other than steam or outboard motor.

IV. "Vessel" means any boat or vessel operated by machinery propelled by steam or other motive power ~~except by outboard motor.~~

Effective August 20, 1955