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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-seventh Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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of a violation of the foregoing provisions to the county attorney for the county of Knox, who shall prosecute such convict therefor.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 310

AN ACT Relating to Possession of Firearms by Felons.

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

R. S., c. 144, §§ 12-A - 12-C, additional. Chapter 144 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto 3 new sections to be numbered 12-A to 12-C, to read as follows:

'Possession of Firearms by Felons.

Sec. 12-A. Possession of firearms by felons prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person who has been convicted of a felony under the laws of the United States or of the State of Maine, or of any other State, to have in his possession any pistol, revolver or any other firearm capable of being concealed upon the person. Anyone violating any of the provisions of sections 12-A to 12-C, inclusive, shall be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than 5 years.

Sec. 12-B. Definitions. The following words and phrases when used in sections 12-A to 12-C, inclusive, are defined as follows:

"Pistol," "revolver" and "firearm" mean a weapon capable of being concealed upon the person and shall include all firearms having a barrel of less than 12 inches in length.

Sec. 12-C. Application. The penal provisions of section 12-A shall not apply to any person commissioned as a peace officer, employed as a guard or watchman nor to any person who has not been convicted of a penal offense during the 5-year period next immediately following his discharge or release from prison.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 311

AN ACT Relating to Service of Process on Nonresidents Operating Aircraft.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 70, amended. The 1st sentence of section 70 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The acceptance by a person who is a resident of any other state or country of the rights and privileges conferred by this chapter as evidenced by the operation, by himself or agent, of a motor vehicle thereunder, or the operation by such a