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CHAP. 330

Chapter 329

AN ACT Relating to Preservation of Briefs in Law Court Cases.

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

R. S., c. 103, § 13-A, additional. Chapter 103 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 13-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 13-A. Preservation of briefs in law court cases. The clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court shall preserve 3 complete sets of briefs filed in all cases in the Supreme Judicial Court sitting as a law court. Under the direction of the Chief Justice these briefs shall be delivered to a qualified person for arrangement in a readily accessible order and shall be delivered to a bindery designated by the Chief Justice for binding in convenient size and proper labelling; one set shall thereupon be delivered to the law libraries respectively of Cumberland, Kennebec and Penobscot counties for preservation and reference. The expense of binding and transportation shall be paid by the State from the appropriation for expenses of the Supreme Judicial Court.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 330

AN ACT to Amend the Bracket Schedule in the Sales and Use Tax Law.

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

R. S., c. 17, § 5, amended. Section 5 of chapter 17 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 5. Adding tax to sale price. Every retailer shall add the sales tax imposed by this chapter, or the average equivalent of said tax, to his sale price, except as hereinafter provided, and when added the tax shall constitute a part of the price, shall be a debt of the purchaser to the retailer until paid and shall be recoverable at law in the same manner as the purchase price. When the sale price shall involve a fraction of a dollar, the tax shall be added to the sale price upon the following schedules:

Amount of Sale Price

Amount of Tax

\$0.01 to \$0.24 \$0.18, inclusive

No tax

.25 .19 to .74, inclusive

ΙC

.75 to 1.24, inclusive

2C

Add IC tax plus the above rate for each 50c or fraction thereof exceeding \$1.24.

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When several articles are purchased together and at the same time, the tax may shall be computed on the total amount of the several items.

Breakage under this section shall be retained by the retailer as compensation for the collection.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 331

AN ACT Relating to Motor Trucks Hauling Wood, Pulpwood, and other Forest Products.

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

- R. S., c. 48, § 29, sub-§ I, ¶ E, amended. Paragraph E of subsection I of section 29 of chapter 48 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - **E.** While engaged exclusively in the hauling of wood, pulpwood, logs or sawed lumber from the woodlot or forest area where cut or sawed to points within 60 100 miles thereof, by highway, or while hauling, within said distance, horses, crew, equipment and supplies to or from such woodlot or forest area;'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 332

AN ACT Relating to Blinker Lights on Plowing and Sanding Units.

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

- R. S., c. 22, § 44, amended. Section 44 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 44. Snow removal or sanding equipment. All trucks, graders and other vehicles, while being used for the express purpose of plowing snow or sanding on public ways, unless the 6-inch diameter lights hereinafter described are not available in the markets of this State, shall be equipped with 2 auxiliary lights to be mounted on the highest practical point on the vehicle, one showing to the front and one to the rear of the vehicle. The light showing to the front shall be a blue or amber light and at least 6 inches in diameter. The light showing to the rear shall be a red light at least 6 inches in diameter. These 2 lights shall be equipped with blinker attachments. When the left wing of the plow is in operation and extends over the center of the road, an auxiliary light shall show the extreme end of said left wing. This light may be attached to the vehicle with the beam of light pointed at the left wing. These lights may be controlled by a separate switch or may be controlled by the regular lighting system and shall be lighted during the period of 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise in operation whenever the trucks, graders and other vehicles are used for plowing snow and sanding on public ways in either the nighttime or daytime. The use of these auxiliary lights shall not relieve the owner or operator from conforming to the provisions of section 43.