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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-seventh Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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suance of a new license or registration being contingent upon the furnishing of security ~~or~~ or proof of financial responsibility, and who during such suspension or revocation or in the absence of full authorization from the Secretary shall drive any motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer upon any highway or knowingly permits any motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer owned by such person to be operated by another upon any highway, except as permitted under the provisions of sections 75 to 82, inclusive, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or by a fine of not more than \$500, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Where any person is required under sections 75 to 82, inclusive, to maintain proof of financial responsibility, the Secretary of State may issue a restricted license to such person, authorizing the operation of any motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer so long as the owner thereof shall maintain proof of financial responsibility.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 396

AN ACT Relating to Compensation of Boards of Registration in Cities of 39,000 Inhabitants or More.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 3, § 13, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 13 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'In cities of 39,000 inhabitants ~~or more~~ and less than 50,000 inhabitants, the chairman of the board shall receive ~~\$2,850~~ \$3,050 per year and the other 2 members of the board shall receive ~~\$2,500~~ \$2,700 per year and such additional amounts as may be authorized by the municipal officers or Board of Finance.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 3, § 13, amended. Section 13 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph, to read as follows:

'In cities of 50,000 inhabitants or more, the chairman of the board shall receive \$3,150 per year and the other 2 members of the board shall receive \$2,800 per year and such additional amounts as may be authorized by the municipal officers.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 397

AN ACT Relating to Publication of Specimen Ballots.

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

R. S., c. 5, § 2, amended. The second sentence of section 2 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Secretary of State shall likewise cause to be published prior to the day of any such election, in at least 2 newspapers, if there be so many printed or pub-

lished in each county, representing so far as practicable, the political parties which, at the preceding election, cast the largest and next largest numbers of votes, a specimen ballot of all such nominations, so far as may be, in the form in which they shall appear upon the general ballots. Monthly newspapers may be used for this purpose when authorized by the Governor and Council.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 398

AN ACT Relating to Publication of State Financial Reports.

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

R. S., c. 16, § 33, amended. The first sentence of the second paragraph of section 33 of chapter 16 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Controller shall publish a condensed summary of such report on or before September 5 of each year in all daily newspapers and in all weekly newspapers published in the State which are entered as second-class matter with the United States Post Office Department and which are published regularly at least 52 times a year. Monthly newspapers may be used for this purpose upon authorization of the Governor and Council.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 399

AN ACT to Revise the Taxation Laws Relating to Towns.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 91-A, additional. The revised statutes are hereby amended by adding thereto a new chapter to be numbered 91-A, to read as follows:

'Chapter 91-A.

PROPERTY TAX LAWS.

General Provisions Respecting Taxation.

Sec. 1. Definitions. The following words and phrases as used in this chapter shall, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context, have the following meaning:

I. The term "municipality" shall include cities, towns and plantations.

II. The term "place" shall include municipalities, townships and any other unorganized area.