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## PUBLIC LAWS

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### Chapter 81

## AN ACT Relating to Operating Motor Vehicles for Carrying Passengers for Hire.

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

**R. S., c.** 48, § 3, amended. Section 3 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new sentence as follows:

'Any person, firm or corporation required to procure a certificate under the provisions of section 5 shall be subject to all the provisions of sections 64 to 68, inclusive, of chapter 44 and to such orders, rules and regulations as shall be adopted and promulgated by the Commission under the authority of said chapter.'

Effective August 28, 1957

### Chapter 82

#### AN ACT Relating to Expense of Care of Neglected Children.

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

**R. S., c. 25, § 249, amended.** The 6th sentence of section 249 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The court, in term time or vacation, may order said child, pending hearing upon said complaint, committed into the custody of the Department or into the custody of any suitable person approved by the court, without regard to the provisions of section 251 as to bond, or into the custody of a duly incorporated children's institution or child welfare organization approved as aforesaid, and direct the municipal board where the child is residing Department, person or organization to make such provision for its care as may be necessary pending hearing. and the The expense, if any, of such care in the first instance shall be paid by the town or city in which the child is residing at time of complaint Department, person or organization to whom the child is committed.'

Effective August 28, 1957

### Chapter 83

#### AN ACT to Exempt Transportation of Christmas Trees from Public Utilities Commission Regulation.

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

**R. S., c. 48, § 29, sub-§ I, ¶ J, additional.** Subsection I of section 29 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 331 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new paragraph to be lettered J, to read as follows:

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'J. While engaged exclusively in the transportation of Christmas trees, wreaths and greens.'

Effective August 28, 1957

### Chapter 84

AN ACT Relating to Issue of Stocks, Bonds and Notes by Public Utilities.

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

**R. S., c. 44, § 43, amended.** The first sentence of the 4th paragraph of section 43 of chapter 44 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'No railroad corporation subject to the Interstate Commerce Act shall be required to make application to the Commission, or to procure its authority, consent, approval or order, in respect of any of the matters set forth in this section or in sections 44 and 46, while and so long as such corporation is required by federal law to make application to and procure authority from the Interstate Commerce Commission as a condition precedent to such proposed action the issue of securities.'

Effective August 28, 1957

### Chapter 85

AN ACT Repealing Laws Relating to Street Railroads.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 44, § 15, repealed. Section 15 of chapter 44 of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed as follows:

'See. 15. Rules governing use and operation of headlights on electric cars. The Commission shall prepare rules and regulations from time to time governing the use and operation of headlights on electric cars, and may from time to time alter, reseind or add to any rules and regulations previously made by it. Such rules and regulations of the Commission and any changes therein shall take effect when approved by the Governor and Council and published at least once in each daily newspaper in the State. The certificate of the elerk of the Commission shall be received as prima facie evidence in any court of law to prove that said rules and regulations have been prepared, approved and published as herein provided.

Wheever, either as owner or operator, fails to comply with any of the effective rules and regulations established by the Commission as provided in this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$5 for each offense.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 44, § 16, sub-§ XVII, repealed. Subsection XVII of section 16 of chapter 44 of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed as follows:

"XVII. "Street railroad company" includes every corporation or person, their lessees, trustees, receivers or trustees appointed by any court whatso-